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Births.

GOW.—August 19, at Victoria-street, North Shore, the wife of John Gow, of a daughter.

HOLDEN.—August 21, at Broadwater, Richmond River, the wife of R. F. Holden, of a son.

USHER.—August 19, at her residence, Tara, Harcourt-street, Brisbane, the wife of Captain James Usher, of a daughter.

Deaths.

BENNETT.—August 26, 1891, at St. Vincent's Hospice, William Arthur, only son of the late Captain William and Charlotte Bennett, and stepson of the late Hon. Robert Fitzgerald, M.L.C., of Springfield, Darlinghurst, aged 31 years.

MARSH.—August 26, 1891, at her residence, Monmouth-terrace, 13 Goodhope-street, Paddington, Catherine, the beloved wife of John Marsh, R.N., aged 69 years.

REEVE.—August 27, 1891, at her residence, 147 Young-street, Annandale, Elizabeth Ann, the beloved wife of John Reeve, aged 42 years.

In Memoriam.

NEWTON.—In loving remembrance of my dear daughter, Annabella Newton, wife of Captain Wm. Newton, of Manning River, N.S.W., who died on the 28th August, 1890, at View-street, Annandale, Sydney.

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ORUBA	5552 tons	J. Brenton Park	Mon., Sept. 14
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*LUSITANIA	3877 tons	H. E. Inskip	Mon., Oct. 12

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FOR LONDON:

Steamer.	Tons.	Commander.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Adelaide.
[illegible]	6057	J. Orman	Sept. 7	Sept. 12	Sept. 16
[illegible]	6918	C. Fraser	Sept. 21	Sept. 26	Sept. 30
[illegible]	5013	M. de Horne	Oct. 5	Oct. 10	Oct. 14
[illegible]	6289	A. W. Adamson	Oct. 19	Oct. 24	Oct. 28
[illegible]	4190	C. R. Edwards	Nov. 2	Nov. 7	Nov. 11
[illegible]	4919	R. F. Briscowe	Nov. 16	Nov. 21	Nov. 25
[illegible]	5662	W. B. Andrews	Nov. 30	Dec. 5	Dec. 9
[illegible]	4748	E. Ashdown	Dec. 14	Dec. 19	Dec. 23
				1892.	
[illegible]	4771	R. G. Murray	Dec. 28	Jan. 2	Jan. 6

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OCEANIEN	Pascia	Sept. 25	Sept. 28
POLYNESIEN	L. Boulard	Oct. 27	Oct. 30
YARRA	H. de Maubeuge	Nov. 25	Nov. 28
AUSTRALIEN	G. Didier	Dec. 27	Dec. 30

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[illegible]	August 20	Essen	November 14
[illegible]	Sept. 12	Erlangen	December 5
[illegible]	October 3	Stassfurt	December 26
[illegible]	October 24	Barmen	January 15

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Monowai	3500	M. Carey	September 7	October 1.
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			1891.	1891.	1891.
Braunschweig	3079	A. Meier	Sept. 9	Sept. 12	Sept. 14
Salier	3083	J. Roben	Oct. 7	Oct. 11	Oct. 14
Oldenburg	5300		Nov. 4	Nov. 8	Nov. 11
Elbe	4510	C. Thalenhorst	Dec. 2	Dec. 6	Dec. 9
				1892.	1892.
Kaiser Wilhelm II	6990	L. Störmer	Dec. 30	Jan. 3	Jan. 6

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Victorian (Adelaide Co.'s), To-morrow, 1 p.m.
Rodondo (Howard Smith's), Tuesday, September 1, 5 p.m.
Adelaide (Adelaide Co.'s), Saturday, Sept. 5, 1 p.m.
Konoowarra (Howard Smith's), Tuesday, Sept. 8, 5 p.m.
ADELAIDE and WEST AUSTRALIA (from Melbourne)—
Steamer (Huddart, Parker's), early.
BRISBANE and QUEENSLAND PORTS—
Leura (Howard Smith's), This Day, 5 p.m.
Wodonga (A. U. S. N. Co.'s), Wednesday, Sept. 2, 4 p.m.
Gabo (Howard Smith's), Friday, September 4, 5 p.m.
Cintra (A. U. S. N. Co.'s), Wednesday, Sept. 9, 4 p.m.
BRISBANE, MARYBOROUGH, BUNDABERG, GLADSTONE, and ROCKHAMPTON—
*Fitzroy (A. U. S. N. Co.'s), This Day, 5 p.m.
Konoowarra (Howard Smith's), Tuesday, Sept. 1, 5 p.m.
Eurimbla (A. U. S. N. Co.'s), Friday, Sept. 4, 5 p.m.
(*Passengers and Cargo for Maryborough change at Brisbane.)
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Wodonga (A. U. S. N. Co.'s), Wednesday, Sept. 2, 4 p.m.
Gabo (Howard Smith's), Friday, September 4, 5 p.m.
Cintra (A. U. S. N. Co.'s), Wednesday, Sept. 9, 4 p.m.
EDEN, PAMBULA GOLDFIELDS—
Gabo (Howard Smith's), This Day, 5 p.m.
Oonah (Union Co.'s), September 2, 1 p.m.
HOBART (direct)—
Wendouree (Huddart, Parker's), Thursday, Sept. 3, at 4 p.m.
HOBART (via EDEN)—
Oonah (Union Co.'s), September 2, 1 p.m.
LAUNCESTON (transhipping to Coogee at Melbourne)—
Burrumbeet (Huddart, Parker's), This Day, 5 p.m.
LAUNCESTON (direct)—
Corinna (Union Co.'s), Wednesday, Sept. 2, 4 p.m.
MELBOURNE—
Burrumbeet (Huddart, Parker's), This Day, 5 p.m.
Gabo (Howard Smith's), This Day, 5 p.m.
Warrego (A. U. S. N. Co.'s), To-morrow, noon.
Victorian (Adelaide Co.'s), To-morrow, 1 p.m.
Barcoo (A. U. S. N. Co.'s), Tuesday, Sept. 1, 5 p.m.
Adelaide (Adelaide Co.'s), Saturday, Sept. 5, 1 p.m.
NEW ZEALAND—
Hauroto (Union Co.'s), via Wellington, To-morrow, noon.
Tekapo (Union Co.'s), via Auckland, Sept. 10, 5 p.m.
NOUMEA, SUVA, and LEVUKA—
Rockton (A. U. S. N. Co.'s), Wednesday, Sept. 2, 5 p.m.
PORT PIRIE—
Victorian (Adelaide Co.'s), To-morrow, 1 p.m.
PORT PIRIE (without transhipment)—
Rodondo (Howard Smith's), Tuesday, September 1, 5 p.m.
SHOALHAVEN PORTS—
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MORUYA, THURSDAY, noon.
MERIMBULA, EDEN, BERMAGUI, WEDNESDAY, SATURDAY, Noon
TATHRA, Passengers and Cargo, WEDNESDAY, SATURDAY, Noon
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MANNING RIVER—S.S. Electra, from Market Wharf, foot of Market-street, This Night, at 10.
PORT MACQUARIE—S.S. Wellington, from Market Wharf, To-morrow Afternoon, at 5.
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VILLA MARIA—Same as Hunter's Hill, except 7 p.m.
GLADESVILLE—7, 8.10, 9, 9.30, 10*, 11, 12, 1 (Sat., 12.15, 1.15), 2*, 3, 4.15, 5.15, 5.45, 6.15, 7, 10.15, 11.15.
FIVE DOCK, BURWOOD, CORBY'S—7, 9.30, 12, 1 (Sat., 12.15, 1.15), 5.15 (6.15 via Mortlake), (Tues., Thurs., 11.15)
MORTLAKE, &c.—7, 8.10, 9, 10*, 11, 1 (Sat., 1.15), 2*, 3, 4.15, 5.15, 6.15, 7, 10.15 (Mon., Wed., Fri., Sat., 11.15).
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PARRAMATTA, &c.—9, 10*, 11, 1 (Sat., 1.15), 2*, 3, 5.15 p.m.
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Public Notices.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES. In Bankruptcy.—No. 5780. Re JAMES REYNOLDS, of Balmain.
NOTICE is hereby given that the Single MEETING of Creditors in the above matter will be held at the Court, Chancery-square, Sydney, on the 8th day of September, 1891, at 11 a.m., or as soon after as the course of business will permit.
To entitle a Creditor to vote thereat his proof must be lodged with the Registrar in Bankruptcy not later than the 5th day of September, 1891.
ARTHUR HENRY, Registrar in Bankruptcy.
Mr. L. T. Lloyd, Official Assignee.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES. In Bankruptcy.—No. 3964. Re MICHAEL JOSEPH FITZPATRICK, of Thornley-street, Drummoyne, Civil Servant.
NOTICE is hereby given that the Single MEETING of Creditors in the above matter will be held at the Court, Chancery-square, Sydney, on the 8th day of September, 1891, at 11 a.m., or as soon after as the course of business will permit.
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Mr. L. T. Lloyd, Official Assignee.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—In Bankruptcy.—No. 3942. Re JOSEPH MOSES, of No. 10 Chelsea-street, Surry Hills, known as JOSEPH DALY, of Northcott-street, Canterbury, Horse Trainer.
NOTICE is hereby given that the Single MEETING of Creditors in the above matter will be held at the Court, Chancery-square, Sydney, on the 7th day of September, 1891, at 11 a.m., or as soon after as the course of business will permit.
To entitle a Creditor to vote thereat his proof must be lodged with the Registrar in Bankruptcy not later than the 4th day of September, 1891.
ARTHUR HENRY, Registrar in Bankruptcy.
Mr. A. Morris, Official Assignee.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES. In Bankruptcy.—No. 3933. Re STEPHEN PUNCH, of Campbell-street, North Sydney, Out of Business.
NOTICE is hereby given that the First MEETING of Creditors in the above matter will be held at the Office of the Official Assignee, at No. 127 Phillip-street, Sydney, on the 9th day of September, 1891, at 2.30 p.m.
To entitle a Creditor to vote thereat his proof must be lodged with the Registrar in Bankruptcy not later than the 5th day of September, 1891.
ARTHUR HENRY, Registrar in Bankruptcy.
Mr. L. T. Lloyd, Official Assignee.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES. In Bankruptcy.—No. 3974. Re WILLIAM GAIL, of Parker-street, North Sydney.
NOTICE is hereby given that the Single MEETING of Creditors in the above matter will be held at the Court, Chancery-square, Sydney, on the 8th day of September, 1891, at 11 a.m., or as soon after as the course of business will permit.
To entitle a Creditor to vote thereat his proof must be lodged with the Registrar in Bankruptcy not later than the 5th day of September, 1891.
ARTHUR HENRY, Registrar in Bankruptcy.
Mr. L. T. Lloyd, Official Assignee.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES. Probate Jurisdiction. In the Estate and Effects of MARY MOYES, late of Marrickville, in the colony of New South Wales, deceased, Intestate.
NOTICE is hereby given that the Accounts and Plan of Distribution in the above Estate have this day been filed in my Office, Supreme Court-house, King-street, Sydney; and all persons having any claim on the said Estate, or being otherwise interested therein, are hereby required to come in before me, at my said office, on or before the 15th day of September, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, and inspect the same, and if they shall think fit object thereto, otherwise if the said accounts be not objected to, the same will be examined by me and passed according to law. And notice is hereby given, that on allowance of the said accounts by the Court, commission will be applied for on behalf of the said administrator. Dated this twenty-seventh day of August, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one.
R. C. MONDAY (L.S.), Deputy-Registrar.
JAMES CAMPBELL THOM, Proctor for the Administrator, Athenæum-chambers, 11 Castlereagh-st., Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.
TAKE NOTICE that I, LEWIS STIMPSON FLETT, of Pindari Villa, The Grove, Queen-street, Woollahra, near Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, lately serving under Articles of Clerkship to Horatio Thomas Richard Ayboard, deceased, late of Castlereagh-street, Sydney aforesaid, an attorney, solicitor, and proctor of the Supreme Court of the said colony, and subsequently by assignment thereof to John Greer Mitcham Wild, late of No. 122 Pitt-street, Sydney aforesaid, an attorney, solicitor, and proctor of the Supreme Court of the said colony, intend to apply on the twenty-ninth instant to be admitted as an Attorney, Solicitor, and Proctor of the Honourable Court. Dated at Sydney this 26th day of August, A.D. 1891.
LEWIS S. FLETT.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction. In the Estate of WILLIAM BARTON, late of Wallerawang, in the colony of New South Wales, Railway Fettler, deceased intestate.
APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to MARY JANE BARTON, the widow of the said deceased.
JOHN THOMAS LEE, Proctor for the Applicant, Lithgow.
By Edgar Lucas, his Agent, 20 Castlereagh-st., Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES. Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction. In the Estate of JAMES STEENSON, late of Sydney, in the Colony of New South Wales, deceased.
NOTICE is hereby given that the ACCOUNTS in the above estate have been duly filed in the office of the Supreme Court of New South Wales, King-street, Sydney, and all persons having any claims upon the said estate, or being otherwise interested therein, may come in before me, at my office, Supreme Courthouse, King-street, aforesaid, on or before the Eleventh day of September next, at the hour of Eleven o'clock in the forenoon, and inspect the said accounts, and, if they shall think fit, object thereto; otherwise, if the said accounts be not objected to, the same will be examined by me, and passed according to law. And notice is also given that on the allowance of the said account by the Court, commission will be applied for on behalf of the said executor.
Dated this nineteenth day of August, A.D. 1891.
R. C. MONDAY, Deputy Registrar.
Sidney John Bull, Proctor for the Executor, Temple-court, King-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES. Probate Jurisdiction. In the Estate of SUSANNAH ELIZABETH DEANS DAVIDSON, late of 13 Bruce-street, Balmain, near Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, wife of William Davidson, of same place, Engineer, deceased intestate.
APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to WILLIAM DAVIDSON, of No. 13 Bruce-street, Balmain, aforesaid, husband of the said deceased.
Dated the 27th day of August, A.D. 1891.
ALFRED SHAW, Proctor for Administrator, 108 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES. Probate Jurisdiction. In the Will of AMELIA CLOUT, late of Camden Park, near Camden, in the colony of New South Wales, Widow, deceased.
APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to JOHN BAMFIELD, of Balmain, near Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, Storeman, the Executor named in the said Will.
SLY and HAMILTON, Proctors for the said Executor, 379a George-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction. In the Will of WILLIAM NUNN, late of Redfern, near Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, Contractor, deceased.
APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to RICHARD STEVENS, of Kendall-street, Surry Hills, Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, Carpenter, the sole surviving Executor in the said Will named, the other executor therein named having pre-deceased the testator.
Dated this 26th day of August, A.D. 1891.
URQUHART and STEEL, Proctors for the said Executor, 48 Elizabeth-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES. Probate Jurisdiction. In the Estate of DAVID TAIT ALLAN, late of Newcastle, in the colony of New South Wales, Harbourmaster, deceased, intestate.
APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration, with the Will annexed, of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to HELEN ALLAN, of Newcastle aforesaid, the widow of the said deceased.
WM. SPARKE, Proctor, Newcastle.
By W. H. Mason, 142 King-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.
TAKE NOTICE that I, EDWARD GEORGE MADDOCKS COHEN, of Euralla, Queen-street, Woollahra, near Sydney, in the colony of N.S.W., lately serving under Articles of Clerkship to DAVID LAWRENCE LEVY, of No. 122 Pitt-street, Sydney aforesaid, an Attorney, Solicitor, and Proctor of the Supreme Court of the said colony, intend to apply on the 29th instant to be admitted as an Attorney, Solicitor, and Proctor of the Supreme Court of New South Wales. Dated at Sydney this 26th day of August, 1891.
E. G. MADDOCKS COHEN.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—TAKE NOTICE that I, PERCY SYDNEY DAWSON, at present residing at Rosemeath, Cambridge-street, Stanmore, and lately serving under Articles of Clerkship to George Charles Waldron, of 173 Pitt-street, Sydney, an Attorney, Solicitor, and Proctor of this Honourable Court, intend to apply on Saturday, the twenty-ninth day of August instant, to be admitted an Attorney, Solicitor, and Proctor of this Honourable Court. Dated this twenty-sixth day of August, A.D. 1891.
PERCY S. DAWSON.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction. In the Will of MICHAEL NOON, late of Blackman's Flat, near Wallerawang, in the colony of New South Wales, Farmer, deceased.
APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to EDWARD NOON, one of the Executors named in the said Will—RICHARD P. HEATON and MARTIN E. KELLY, the other Executors therein named, having renounced Probate thereof. JOHN THOMAS LEE, Proctor for the Applicant, Lithgow. By Edgar Lucas, his Agent, 20 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction. In the Will of JAMES INGREY, late of Thuddungra, near Grenfell, in the colony of New South Wales, Hotel-keeper, deceased.
APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to CHARLES JOHN INGREY, of Grenfell aforesaid, Miller; and MARION AGNES INGREY, of Thuddungra aforesaid, Widow, the Executor and Executrix named in the said Will. Dated this twenty-seventh day of August, 1891.
FREDERICK CROMMELIN, Proctor for the said Charles John Ingrey and Marion Agnes Ingrey, Grenfell. By his Agents, Dowling and Dowling, 29 O'Connell-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—NOTICE is hereby given that I, AUGUSTUS M'EVILLY, of Kimberley, 5 York-street, Sydney, in the Colony of New South Wales, a Bachelor of Arts of the University of Sydney, lately serving under articles of clerkship to James Michael Curtis, of 151 Phillip-street, Sydney, solicitor, intend to apply on SATURDAY, the 29th day of AUGUST instant to be admitted an ATTORNEY, SOLICITOR and Proctor of this Honorable Court.
Dated this twenty-sixth day of August, A.D. 1891.
AUGUSTUS M'EVILLY.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.
TAKE NOTICE that I, ALFRED MITCHELL, at present residing at Urania, Boyce-street, Glebe Point, and lately serving under Articles of Clerkship to Alfred Shaw, of Number 108 Pitt-street, Sydney, an Attorney, Solicitor, and Proctor of this honorable Court, and subsequently by assignment to Mark Mitchell, of No. 173 Pitt-street, Sydney, also an Attorney, Solicitor, and Proctor of this honorable Court, intend to apply on the twenty-ninth day of August instant, to be admitted an Attorney, Solicitor, and Proctor of this honorable Court. Dated this twenty-sixth day of August, A.D. 1891.
ALFRED MITCHELL.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.
TAKE NOTICE that I, CHARLES DONALD INGLIS, at present residing at Annesley, Balmain-road, Leichhardt, and lately serving under Articles of Clerkship to Charles Smith Jones, of Lincoln's Inn-chambers, number 38 Elizabeth-street, Sydney, an Attorney, Solicitor, and Proctor of this Honourable Court, intend to apply on Saturday, the twenty-ninth day of August instant, to be admitted an Attorney, Solicitor, and Proctor of this Honourable Court.
Dated this twenty-sixth day of August, A.D. 1891.
CHARLES D. INGLIS.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.
NOTICE is hereby given that I, REGINALD EDGAR ASHTON SHORTER, of Manly Beach, near Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, lately serving under Articles of Clerkship to William Thomas Ashton Shorter, of the same place, one of the Attorneys, Solicitors, and Proctors of the Supreme Court of the said colony, intend to apply to this Honourable Court, on Saturday, the twenty-ninth day of August instant, to be admitted and enrolled as an Attorney, Solicitor, and Proctor of the said Court. Dated this twenty-sixth day of August, 1891.
R. E. A. SHORTER.

NOTICE is hereby given that it is the intention of ROBERT STEWART, of Broken Hill, Mine-owner, to apply, during this session of Parliament of New South Wales, for a BILL to enable the said Robert Stewart, his executors, administrators, and assigns, or any company duly incorporated for that purpose, by agreement with the said Robert Stewart, to construct and maintain a TRAMWAY from a point on the Silverton Tramway about three miles from Broken Hill, thence in a northerly direction towards Purnamoota, and via Hickey's Dam to mineral leases numbered 5423, 5492, 5493, and 5602, in the parish of Robe, county Yancowinna, and to use steam or other motive power upon the said tramway, and to carry thereon marble and other flux, ironstone, fuel, and ore, and for other purposes in said Bill mentioned.
Dated this twentieth day of August, 1891.
PHILIP HURLEY SULLIVAN, Solicitor for the Bill, 120 King-street, Sydney.

IN THE ESTATE OF EDWARD GEORGE LEWIS, Deceased, late of Tamworth, Storekeeper, &c.
All persons having CLAIMS against the above Estate are hereby requested to furnish particulars of same to the undersigned on or before the 31st INSTANT, on which day the executors of the said EDWARD GEORGE LEWIS will proceed to distribute the funds in their possession.
J. T. DAVENPORT and CO., Public Accountants.
4 Moore-street, Sydney, Aug. 26, 1891.

A JUDGMENT.
Dated November 18, 1890, issued by the Court at Munich, against a counterfeiter of the "Powder of Java" (Poudre de Java), the only Toilet Powder made on hygienic principles, softening and harmless.
The manufacturers of this unsurpassed Poudre de Riz, Messrs. A. BOURJOIS and CIE, 12 and 14 Boulevard St. Martin, Paris, have now every box stamped and closed with seal of L'Union des Fabricants de France, to protect the public against fraud.

MARSHALL'S Paddington Brewery, Limited.—The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 22nd to 31st instant inclusive, when the dividend at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum will be payable at the offices of the Company, Oxford-street. W. J. MONFRIES, Secretary. Paddington, 20th August, 1891.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.
ABBOTT and DODDS, Solicitors, &c., lately of 98 Pitt-st., Sydney, have REMOVED back to No. 34 CASTLEREAGH-ST., Sydney, on the site of their old office.

A. FUSEDALE, Tailor, 20 King-street near George-street, late Cutter to [illegible], Pitt-street.

MATRIMONY.—Gentleman in good posit. desires acq'tance Lady under 26, v'y ob. Genuine, Box 302.

UNLESS the Contractors for the Plastering Work, &c., at Villa, Pott's Point, proceed with their Contract within 24 hours from date, it will be done at their risk and expense. August 26, 1891. DOUGLAS BROTHERS.

CALL BELLS. CALL BELLS. CALL BELLS.
A LARGE SUPPLY JUST LANDED.
VERY CHEAP.
At MACLARDY'S, 319 George-street.

JOHN MACLEOD, C.M., M.D., M.C.P., et M.C.S., late Surgeon Superintendent of Totara Hospital, N. Z., has commenced the PRACTICE of his profession at 181 William-street, city.

WM. EZOLD, Pract. Pianomaker and Imp. Denison-st., Waverley. Tuning promptly attended to.

CROWN LAND SALE at Carlingford, To-morrow. Lithos. and Price Lists, R and W., Limited. (1632)

Meetings.

RENT EXTORTION.—Shopkeepers and Rent-payers generally are invited to attend a Preliminary Meeting To-night, at 8, Room 5, Temperance Hall, to inaugurate a TENANT'S DEFENCE LEAGUE.

THE SYDNEY CYCLORAMA COMPANY, Limited.
NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General MEETING of Shareholders in this Company will be held on FRIDAY, August 28th instant, at the registered office of the Company, Post Office-chambers, Pitt-street, Sydney, for the purpose of confirming or otherwise the alterations in the Articles of Association as under, adopted at an extraordinary general meeting of shareholders held on the 31st ult., viz.:—
1st—To cancel in clause 58 all words after the word "quorum" in the fourth line, and substitute the following clause: "Shall consist of not less than eight shareholders present personally or by proxy."
2nd—To cancel in clause 65 the words after the word "shareholder" in the third line up to and inclusive of the words "by him" in tenth line, and substitute the following clause: "Shall be entitled to one vote for every share held by him."
3rd—To cancel in clause 76 the word "twenty-one," and substitute the word "seven."
4th—To add in clause 112 the following words after the word "personally" in the second line: "Or by"
By order of the Board.
G. S. BUZACOTT, Secretary.
Sydney, July 31st, 1891.

No. 6 STARR BOWKETT BENEFIT BUILDING SOCIETY.
The Sixth Annual General MEETING will be held in the Temperance Hall, Pitt-street, THIS EVENING, at 7.30 o'clock.
R. CHADWICK, Secretary.

CENTRAL BROKEN HILL SILVER-MINING COMPANY, Limited.
Offices—131 PITT-STREET.
NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General MEETING of the Company will be held at noon on MONDAY, August 31 instant, at the Chamber of Commerce, Exchange, Sydney, to consider the advisability of adopting, or otherwise, the following resolution, then to be submitted:—
Resolved,—
"That Mineral Lease No. 2893, containing an area of 40 acres, be sold and disposed of to a separate Company, to be called the North Central Broken Hill Silver-mining Company, No Liability, with a capital of £150,000, divided into 150,000 shares of £1 each.
"That inasmuch as the said Mineral Lease is a valuable asset of this Company, the consideration for the transfer of the said lease to the new Company shall be the payment to this Company of £5000 in satisfaction of work already done on the property, and the allotment to such of the Shareholders of this Company as shall elect to accept them, of shares in the said new Company paid up to 10s per share.
"That the shares in the said new Company shall be offered to the Shareholders in this Company by a notice in writing in proportion to the existing shares held by them at the date of the confirmation of these resolutions within a time to be mentioned in the said notice, and after such time if the shares are not applied for they shall be deemed to be declined.
"That any Shareholder of this Company shall be bound to pay 1s per share on application, and 1s per share on allotment.
"That any shares not applied for by the Shareholders of this Company, or any shares in respect of which the application and allotment moneys shall not be paid, shall be offered to the public; but such shares shall not be offered at a discount, or with any moneys deemed to be paid up thereon, and the Directors may dispose of such shares by public tender, or in such other manner as they may deem advisable."
By order of the Board.
LEONARD DODDS, Manager.
Sydney, August 18th, 1891.

CENTRAL BROKEN HILL SILVER-MINING COMPANY, Limited.
OFFICES—131 PITT-STREET.
NOTICE is hereby given that the tenth Half-yearly General MEETING of the above Company will be held at 2.30 p.m., on MONDAY, August 31 instant, at the Chamber of Commerce, Exchange, Sydney.
To receive the Directors' report and Balance-sheet for the half year ended June 30 last; to confirm or otherwise the appointment of the Hon. J. F. Burns as a director in lieu of G. C. Chalmers, Esq., resigned; and to transact general business.
By order of the Board.
LEONARD DODDS, Manager.
Sydney, August 11, 1891.
The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from August 17 to 31, in accordance with clause 12 of the articles of association.

WEBB'S SOUTH SILVER-MINING COMPANY, Limited.
NOTICE is hereby given, that the Half-yearly General MEETING of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the Company's Office, Post Office-chambers, Pitt-street, Sydney, on FRIDAY, August 28th, 1891, at 2.30 p.m. to receive the Directors' Report and Balance Sheet for the half-year ended June 30th, and to transact such other business as may be brought forward in conformity with the Articles of Association.
At the conclusion of the above, an Extraordinary General MEETING of Shareholders will be held, when the following resolution will be submitted, viz.:—
"That the Company be wound up by voluntary liquidation, and a Liquidator appointed for that purpose."
By order of the Board.
G. S. BUZACOTT, Manager.
Sydney, 11th August, 1891.

THE ROUND MOUNT TIN AND DIAMOND MINING COMPANY, No Liability.
NOTICE is hereby given that the Half-yearly General MEETING of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the Company's Office, Post Office-chambers, Pitt-street, Sydney, on FRIDAY, August 28th instant, at 4 p.m., to receive the Directors' Report and Balance-sheet for the half-year ended June 30, and to transact such other business as may be brought forward in conformity with the Articles of Association.
By order of the Board.
G. S. BUZACOTT, Manager.
Sydney, August 14, 1891.

THE PYE'S CREEK SILVER-MINING COMPANY, Limited.
NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual General MEETING of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the Company's Office, Post Office-chambers, Pitt-street, Sydney, on FRIDAY, August 28th next, at 12 noon, to receive the Directors' Report and Balance-sheet for the half-year ended June 30th; and to transact such other business as may be brought forward in conformity with the Articles of Association.
By order of the Board.
G. S. BUZACOTT, Manager.
Sydney, August 18th, 1891.

LITTLE DORA REEF GOLD-MINING COMPANY, Limited.
NOTICE is hereby given that the Half-yearly General MEETING of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the Company's Office, Post Office-chambers, Pitt-street, Sydney, on FRIDAY, August 28 next, at 11 a.m.,
To receive the Directors' Report and Balance-sheet for the half-year ended June 30th, and to transact such other business as may be brought forward in conformity with the Articles of Association.
At the conclusion of the above an Extraordinary General MEETING will be held, when the following resolution will be submitted, viz.:—
"That the Company be wound up by voluntary liquidation, and a liquidator appointed for that purpose."
By order of the board.
G. S. BUZACOTT, Manager.
Sydney, August 11, 1891.

LOCK'S UNITED GOLD-MINING COMPANY, No Liability.
Sandy Creek, on the Loddon, Victoria.
NOTICE.—A Special MEETING of Shareholders of the above Company will be held at Ware's Grand Hotel, Maldon, Victoria, at 6.30 p.m., on MONDAY, the 7th day of September, 1891.
Business: To strike out the words "two hundred" in clause No. 3 of the Company's Rules and to substitute the word "fifty" in lieu thereof, to allow holder of 50 shares a seat on directory.
NOTICE.—The Half-yearly MEETING of Shareholders is ADJOURNED till MONDAY, the 7th day of September, 1891, at 7.30 p.m. Business: To elect Directors.
T. B. WEBSTER, Manager.

THE PYE'S CREEK SILVER-MINING COMPANY, Limited.
NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual General MEETING of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the Company's Office, Post Office-chambers, Pitt-street, Sydney, on FRIDAY, August 28, 1891, at 12 noon, to receive the Directors' Report and Balance-sheet for the half-year ended June 30, and to transact such other business as may be brought forward in conformity with the Articles of Association.
At the conclusion of the above, an Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held, when the following resolution will be submitted, viz.:—
"That the Company be wound up by voluntary liquidation, and a liquidator appointed for that purpose, and his rate of remuneration fixed by the meeting."
Should the above resolution not be carried, it will be necessary to elect three Directors and two Auditors, in accordance with the Articles of Association.
By order of the Board.
G. S. BUZACOTT, Manager.
Sydney, August 19, 1891.

BRITISH Israel Association.—The Monthly MEETING in the Temperance Hall, TO-NIGHT, at 7.45. Business: Lecture by E. P. Pocock, Esq., "The Tents of Shem." J. C. HANNAN, Hon. Secretary.

LODGE VICTORIA, No. 113.—The Regular Monthly MEETING of this Lodge will be held THIS EVENING, at 7.30 sharp, in the Masonic Hall, Castlereagh-street. O. J. M. LLOYD, Sec.

ARNOLD W. LOVE, Licensed Surveyor (Real Property and Mining Acts), 91 Pitt-street.

Stock, Shares, and Money.

AUSTRALIAN MUTUAL INVESTMENT and BUILDING COMPANY, Limited, 289 and 291 PITT-STREET, SYDNEY.

Authorised Capital	£100,000
Subscribed	30,000
Paid-up	25,179
Reserve Fund	48,546
Total Reserves and Undivided Profits	54,980
Total Capital and Reserves	80,159

FIXED DEPOSITS receive interest at HIGHEST CURRENT RATES, in addition to which DEPOSITORS for TWELVE MONTHS are ALLOWED A BONUS at MATURITY.

LONG PERIOD DEPOSITS.
Deposits received for periods of from 2 to 10 years, and interest allowed for the whole term at the rate ruling for 12 months at the time the deposit is made. Interest paid yearly or half-yearly.

CALL DEPOSIT and CURRENT ACCOUNTS receive interest at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum on the monthly balance, and may be operated on by cheque.

CONTRIBUTING SHARES payable 10s per share deposit and 1s per share monthly. As a profitable, sound, and convenient way of investing savings these shares cannot be surpassed.

THE BUSINESS OF THIS COMPANY EXCEEDS THAT OF ANY SIMILAR INSTITUTION IN THE COLONY.
The RECEIPTS for 1890 were upwards of HALF A MILLION POUNDS STERLING.
The ASSETS at 31st December, 1890, amounted to nearly SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND POUNDS, invested principally in City Properties and First-class Mortgages.

Balance-sheets, Prospectuses, and Application Forms for Shares may be had on application.
H. G. SWYNY, Managing Director.

BANK DEPOSITS GUARANTEED AND SECURED.
THE UNIVERSAL LAND and DEPOSIT BANK, Limited,
Incorporated under Act of Parliament 37 Vic., No. 19, 301 PITT-STREET, SYDNEY.
The Bank now issues to each Depositor for 12 months, in addition to the usual Deposit Receipt, a DEBENTURE BOND, forming a first claim over all the assets of the Bank, and bearing interest at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum. This Debenture is given as a security to each Depositor.

RATES OF INTEREST on Fixed Deposits.
2 Years ... 9 per cent. and 2 per cent. in addition on Debentures—in all, 11 per cent.
1 Year ... 8 per cent. and 2 per cent on Debentures—in all 10 per cent.
6 Months ... 7 per cent.
3 Months ... 6 per cent.
Interest payable quarterly, half-yearly, or yearly.

This is the only Bank registered and incorporated in the colonies offering security to its depositors and conducted on purely mutual principles.

PAMPHLETS ON APPLICATION.
E. C. V. BROUGHTON, Managing Director.

THE INTERCOLONIAL INVESTMENT, LAND, and BUILDING COMPANY, Limited (from 96 Bathurst-street).
Registered under the Companies Act.
Offices—309 Pitt-street, Sydney.
WM. M'COURT, Esq., M.L.A., Chairman.
LOANS granted on approved securities in large or small sums, repayable as arranged.
Money Received on Deposit—
For 12 months } Participating in Bonus { Seven per cent.
For 6 months } { Six per cent.
At Call ... Five per cent.
W. J. DOUGLAS, Manager.

THE MUTUAL PROVIDENT LAND, INVESTING, and BUILDING SOCIETY, Limited. 248a Pitt-street, near Park-street.
Established 1882.
The following Rates of Interest are allowed on FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 12 months ... EIGHT per cent.
For 6 months ... Six per cent.
At Call ... Five per cent.
Interest payable yearly, half-yearly, or quarterly.
E. W. FOXALL, Manager.

FREEHOLD INVESTMENT AND DEPOSIT BANK, 173 Pitt-street, Sydney.
ADVANCES MADE on LAND and PROPERTY.
FIXED DEPOSITS RECEIVED AS UNDER:—
For 3 months ... 6 per cent.
For 6 months ... 8 per cent.
For 12 months ... 9 per cent.
NOTE.—Depositors for 2, 3, and 4 years receive 10 per cent. and a bonus of 1 per cent. per annum.
DEPOSITS receivable by cheque, free of exchange, and deposit receipts forwarded.
Country business transacted by letter to the undersigned.
EDW. A. MORGAN, Secretary.

TO MINING SPECULATORS.
FOR PRIVATE INFORMATION regarding MINING and STOCK SHARES Consult Messrs. C. W. STAPLETON and COY., Box 113, G. P. Office, Melbourne.
CIRCULAR FREE ON APPLICATION.

LONDON MORTGAGE, LOAN, and DEPOSIT BANK, 79 ELIZABETH-STREET, SYDNEY.
ESTABLISHED A QUARTER OF A CENTURY.
The following are the rates of interest allowed on Deposits:—
2 years, 10 per cent.
12 months, 9 " "
6 " 8 " "
3 " 7 " "
At Call 6 " "
Current Accounts 5 " "
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CLOSE OF THE WINTER SEASON
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EVERYTHING MUST GO
EVERYTHING MUST GO.
BIGGER BARGAINS
BIGGER BARGAINS
than ever during
THE LAST WEEK
THE LAST WEEK
of
A SALE IN A CITY
A SALE IN A CITY.

Would you like to know in what part of our house you can spend your money best and to greatest advantage? We cannot tell you. We do not know. All round is the same; everything is reduced. A walk round and a careful inspection might bring to light lines here and there more startling than the average; but we cannot pretend to make such nice distinctions, or to recommend anything specially when all are
SO WONDROUSLY CHEAP
SO WONDROUSLY CHEAP.

This is
THE LAST WEEK.
Not after, not if the whole population were to beg for it, or if all the dignitaries in the land, as well as the Lord High Admiral and the crew of the Saucy Jane, were to ask its continuance. It can't be done. We would willingly oblige, but
IT CAN'T BE DONE
IT CAN'T BE DONE.
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A SALE IN A CITY
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THE FIAT has GONE FORTH, and THE EDICT is ISSUED.
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Parliamentary Elections.

ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL CUMBERLAND.
ELECTION FOR A MEMBER IN THE ROOM of ROBERT A. RITCHIE, Esq., deceased.
A Poll having been demanded, the POLLING will take place on SATURDAY next, 29th August, 1891, at the following places:—
AUBURN—Auburn Hall
BANKSTOWN—Post-office
BAULKHAM HILLS—Cottage, next Red Flag Store
BLACKTOWN—Cottage, near Railway Station
CASTLE HILL—Bailey's Store
CROSS ROADS—Cross Roads Hotel
DUNDAS—Town Hall
DURAL—C. E. Schoolhouse
FAIRFIELD—Cottage, near Station
GALSTON—Galston Hall
GLADESVILLE—Protestant Hall
GRANVILLE—The Hustings
HORNSBY—Duffy's Cottage, next Wesleyan Church
HORNSBY JUNCTION—W. Williams's Cottage
HUNTER'S HILL—Council-chambers
LIVERPOOL—Courthouse
MINTO—A. Crammond's House, G. S. Road
PARRAMATTA—Town Hall
PEAT'S FERRY—Brooklyn Hall
PENNANT HILLS—J. Smith's
PROSPECT—J. Rick's House, near R. C. Church
ROOKWOOD—Gormley's Hall
RYDALMERE—Bransley's Cottage
RYDE—Courthouse
SMITHFIELD—Lecture Hall
SUTHERLAND—Hellier's Cottage, opposite Goods-shed
SYDNEY—Y.M.C.A. Buildings, Bathurst-street
WETHERILL PARK—A. Ledger's House.
WINDSOR-ROAD—James' Cottage, formerly Schofield's.
The POLL will OPEN at 8 a.m., and CLOSE at 4 p.m.
GEORGE EDWARD YOUNG, Returning Officer.
358a George-street, Sydney, August 20, 1891.

CENTRAL CUMBERLAND ELECTORATE.
Mr. JACOB GARRARD will Address the Electors at GRANVILLE, Albert Hall, THIS EVENING, at 7.30.
PARRAMATTA, at 8.30.
MEETINGS will also be held in support of Mr. GARRARD'S CANDIDATURE as under:—
SMITHFIELD, THIS EVENING, at 8.
FAIRFIELD, THIS EVENING, at 9.

CENTRAL CUMBERLAND.
ALDERMAN T. W. TAYLOR is a CANDIDATE, and will Address the Electors as under:—
28th.—LIVERPOOL TOWN HALL, 8 p.m.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CENTRAL CUMBERLAND.
GENTLEMEN,—I am a CANDIDATE for your suffrages to fill the Vacancy caused by the death of our late friend and representative, R. A. Ritchie.
I shall visit and address you in due course, and in the meantime invite my friends and supporters to rally round the standard.
Faithfully yours, C. E. FULLER.
Sydney, August 18, 1891.

CENTRAL CUMBERLAND ELECTION.
W. A. BRODIE, the Freetrade Candidate, will address MEETINGS TO-DAY, as follows:—
PROSPECT, Walton's Hotel, 6 p.m.
BLACKTOWN, Law's Hotel, 7.30 p.m.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CENTRAL CUMBERLAND.
VOTE FOR BRODIE.
Mr. GARRARD has refused to meet me in conference as to who should retire so as to avoid such a calamity as a loss of a seat to the Freetrade party.
The Freetraders of Central Cumberland will therefore see I have done my best to save the seat in the Freetrade interest, for which I claim to have their support.
As it may be circulated that I have retired from the contest, I desire to intimate that there is no possibility of such being the case. I have greater claims than Mr. Garrard, who jeopardises the seat, to which I desire particularly to draw attention.
Yours, &c., W. A. BRODIE.

CENTRAL CUMBERLAND ELECTION.
Members of the various Good Templar Lodges and friends of humanity in the Central Cumberland Electorate are respectfully informed that Messrs. JOHN MARSHALL and W. A. BRODIE have declared in favour of the Democratic Principle of Prohibition by a vote of the entire adult population of the country.
JAMES BATERUP, Chairman.
H. C. BRIERLEY, Hon. Secretary.
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ERNEST BRADLEY, late Glenferrie, Melbourne, kindly communicate with W. Skardon, Daylesford.

GINGER BRANDY.—Write to Charles Oertel, Aërated Water and Cordial Works, 403 Pitt-street.

GLENMORE.—Trust you had good night rest, and feeling better to-day. Blue Ribbon.

MRS. Dr. LLOYD, Accoucheuse, may be consulted daily. 250 Liverpool-street, Sydney, or by letter.

MICHAEL RYAN, late of Calabash Creek, Marengo.
Anyone giving Information leading to satisfactory proof of the identity or respective deaths of the abovenamed, Michael Ryan, or his SONS, John and Patrick Ryan, will be rewarded.
DOWLING and DOWLING, Solicitors, 29 O'Connell-street, Sydney.

NETA,—Returned to Sydney; most anxious to see you; write old address. Andrew.

TON,—Fond love, best wishes; my heart is yours; so like to see you. Eddie.

THE ALLIANCE ASSURANCE COMPANY are making inquiries for FREDERIC STEVENS, formerly of Stoke, Broad Chalk, near Salisbury, Wilts, and of Ashly Manor Farm, near Stockbridge, Hants, and of Castle View, Netley, Southampton, Hants, who sailed for Melbourne on the 5th April, 1879, in the Hampshire, and is believed to have landed at Melbourne about the middle of July, 1879, and to have walked to Sydney.
FREDERIC STEVENS wrote in March, 1880, from Sydney to his friends in England, and he has not since been heard of. A Reward of Fifty Pounds will be paid to any person who shall first give information to the ALLIANCE ASSURANCE COMPANY, Bartholomew-lane, London, which leads to the discovery of the said FREDERIC STEVENS of above.

WILLIAM MUSKER send Addr. Jas. Langmuir, c.o. Brunsden Co., 13 Cameron-st., Launceston. Tas.

WILL Mr. RUSSELL, Carpenter, who built cottage in Piper-st., Leich'rdt, for Mrs. Jones, call on her.

WOULD J. Russell (late of 135 Liverpool-st.) send address to J. Mahoney, builder, 123 Rushcutter Bay.

WILL LADY "STUDENT" who wrote to Mr. F. kindly appoint another time and place for meeting.

Lost and Found.

LOST, small Scotch Terrier DOG, reward. M. Green, Holt-street, Stanmore.

LOST, between 3 Richmond-terrace and Balmain ferry, lady's Gold PIN. Reward at above address.

LOST in York-lane, Bunch KEYS on string. Reward, Petersen, Bossen, and Co., York-street.

LOST, large yellow Mount St. Bernard DOG, with white feet and chest. Reward. H. WORSLEY, Carey-street, Drummoyne.

LOST, Gold RING, between Cumberland-street and Woolloomooloo. £1 reward on returning to 335 Cumberland-street.

ONE POUND REWARD.—Lost, on Sunday last, at Darling Point, Collie PUP, six months old, black and tan, white chest and grey hairs on back of neck. Apply Hall Porter, Union Club.

REWARD (5s).—LOST, Wednesday evening, Black PURSE, containing gas receipt, jubilee sovereign, and small change, between railway-station and Leigh Cottage, Boulevard, Lewisham.

FOUND, six Draught HORSES. C. Skinner, Cotswold, Strathfield.

Religious Announcements.

CHURCH OF S. AUGUSTINE, Neutral Bay.
FEAST OF S. AUGUSTINE, TO-NIGHT.
Choral Evensong, 8 p.m.
Preacher, the VICAR.
The Choir of S. Andrew's Cathedral will assist at Evensong.

THE AUSTRALIAN Elocutionist, at Centenary Hall, at M'day, "An Evening with Dickens." See Sat.

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The MEDICAL SESSION will be opened with an Introductory Address by Professor M'KENDRICK, M.D., LL.D., F.R.S., on Tuesday the 20th October, 1891.

WINTER COURSES.
ZOOLOGY, 1 p.m.; and ZOOLOGICAL LABORATORY, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.—Professor Young, M.D.
BOTANICAL LABORATORY (January, February, March), 10 a.m.—Professor Bower, M.A. Cantab., D.Sc., F.R.S.
CLINICAL MEDICINE, 9 a.m.—Professor M'Call Anderson, M.D., and Professor Gairdner, M.D., LL.D.
CLINICAL SURGERY, 9 a.m.—Professor George Buchanan, M.A., M.D., LL.D., and Professor Sir George H. B. Macleod, M.D.
CHEMISTRY, 10 a.m.; and Chemical Laboratory, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.—Professor Ferguson, M.A., LL.D., F.S.A.
ANATOMY: Senior 11 a.m., Junior 2 p.m.; and Practical Anatomy, 9 a.m. to 4.45 p.m.—Professor Cleland, M.D., D.Sc., LL.D., F.R.S., assisted by J. Yule Mackay, M.D., and other Demonstrators.
PRACTICE OF MEDICINE, 11 a.m.—Professor Gairdner, M.D., LL.D.
MATERIA MEDICA, 12 noon; and Pharmaceutical Laboratory.—Professor Charteris, M.D., assisted by William MacLennan, M.B.
INSTITUTE OF MEDICINE, 12 noon; and Physiological Laboratory, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.—Professor M'Kendrick, M.D., LL.D., F.R.S., assisted by William Snodgrass, M.A., M.B., the Muirhead Demonstrator.
SURGERY, 1 p.m.—Professor Sir George H. B. Macleod, M.D.
MIDWIFERY, 2 p.m.—Professor Leishman, M.D.
PATHOLOGY (Monday, Wednesday, Friday), 3 p.m.—Lecturer, Joseph Coats, M.D.

SUMMER SESSION, 1892.
During the Summer Session, which opens on 28th April, the Courses of Botany, Practical Chemistry, Medical Jurisprudence (Professor Simpson), and Clinical Medicine, and Clinical Surgery are given. There are also Courses of Anatomy (Lectures on Embryology), Practical Anatomy, Zoology, Practical Zoology, Vegetable Histology, and Practical Botany, Practical Physiology (including Histology), Practical Materia Medica, Practice of Medicine, Practical Pathological Histology, Practical Pathology, Operative Surgery, and Lectures on Diseases of Women.
DISEASES OF THE EYE.—Thomas Reid, M.D., Waltonian Lecturer (Summer Course).
INSANITY.—David Yellowlees, M.D., LL.D., Royal Asylum, Gartnavel (Summer Course).
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BURSARIES.—Bursaries to the annual amount of £530 are restricted to Medical Students, whilst Scholarships and Fellowships to the amount of upwards of £1600 may be held by Medical Students who have gone through the Arts Course.
Full particulars as to the Course of Education and Examination required for the Degrees and the Preliminary Examination required to be passed by Students before beginning medical study, will be found in the University Calendar (by post 3s); or a Syllabus of the Regulations, Fees, &c., may be obtained by applying to Mr. W. INNES ADDISON, Assistant Clerk.

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Calls and Dividends on Shares.

BROKEN HILL SOUTH EXTENDED SILVER-MINING COMPANY, No Liability.
NOTICE is hereby given that all SHARES in this Company upon which the fifth call of sixpence remains unpaid are FORFEITED under the Act, and will be sold by auction on SATURDAY, 5th September, 1891, at 12 o'clock noon, by Mr. L. C. Wilkinson, at his rooms, Lombard-buildings, Queen-street, Melbourne, unless the call be previously paid to the undersigned.
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NOTICE is hereby given that the Directors have made a CALL (No. 2) of One Shilling per share, payable to me at this Office on WEDNESDAY, the 9th September, 1891.
By order of the Board.
J. J. WESTON, Manager.
29 O'Connell-street, Sydney.

JERSEY GOLD-MINING COMPANY, No Liability, Walcha.
NOTICE is hereby given that the Directors have this day made a CALL (No. 6) of Threepence per share on the contributing shares, payable to me at this Office on WEDNESDAY, the 9th September, 1891.
By order of the Board.
J. J. WESTON, Manager.
29 O'Connell-street, Sydney, 27th August, 1891.

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Amusements

CRITERION THEATRE.

Sole Lessees and Managers, Mr. BROUGH and Mr. BOUCICAULT.
Acting Manager ... H. J. MAGER.

Overture, 7.50. Curtain, 8 sharp.

TO-NIGHT! TO-NIGHT! TO-NIGHT!

LAST NIGHT
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of
A NIGHT OFF
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or,
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FUTURE ARRANGEMENTS:
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4th, 1891,
Theatre closed for rehearsal.
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5th,
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ADMISSION: 5s, 3s, 2s, and One Shilling.
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In consequence of the limited season and of the number of plays to be produced, the Management are compelled to announce the
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of
Mr. CHAS. CARTWRIGHT
and
Miss OLGA NETHERSOLE
in
Palgrave Simpson's brilliant Comedy,
A SCRAP OF PAPER
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LAST NIGHT BUT ONE
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of the Charming Comedietta, by Jerome K. Jerome, entitled
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On MONDAY NEXT, AUGUST 31,
and four following nights,
MOTHS
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will be performed.
Mr. Chas. Cartwright as Prince Zouroff.
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On SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5,
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NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT.

The PONY and TROTTING MEETING which was to have taken place yesterday has been POSTPONED to WEDNESDAY next, September 2, 1891.
M. SEALE, Secretary.

TATTERSALL'S CLUB.

AUGUST RACE MEETING,
RANDWICK,
SATURDAY, AUGUST 29, 1891.
HURDLE RACE starts at 1.30 p.m.
LUNCHEON.
TRAMWAY HANDICAP starts at 2.30 p.m.
THE SELLING RACE, starts at 3.15 p.m.
TATTERSALL'S TWO-YEARS-OLD STAKES starts at 4 p.m.
THE SPRING HANDICAP starts at 4.40 p.m.

Members can obtain Ladies' Tickets upon application to the undersigned.
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Tickets for the Grand Stand and Saddling Paddock may be purchased at Messrs. J. H. Myers and Son's, tobacconists, King-street; the Tramway Office, Phillip-street; and at the Racecourse on the day of Racing.

Licensed Trainers may obtain Extra Boys' Tickets, on application, up to 4 p.m. on FRIDAY, 28th instant.
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JAMES PERRY,
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FLYING HANDICAP, 40 sovs. (14.2), 5 furlongs.

Nomination Fee, 1 sovereign.

NOTICE.—Owners and Trainers are given notice that all Entries must be accompanied with the necessary fee.

Entries close Monday, 31st August, at Club's Office, up to 4 p.m.

NOTICE.—The Club will also hold Meetings on Monday, 5th October (8-hour Demonstration Day), and Wednesday, 28th October (Sires Produce Stakes Meeting).
E. G. FROOM, Sec.
Norwich-chambers, Hunter-street.

ROSEHILL RACES,
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 1891.

PONY AND GALLOWAY MEETING.

FLYING HANDICAP (14.2).—A Handicap of 30 sovs. For all horses 14 hands 2in. and under. The winner of a handicap after the declaration of weights to carry 7lb. extra. Five furlongs.
PONY HANDICAP (13.3) of 30 sovs. For all horses 13 hands 3in. and under. The winner of any handicap after the declaration of weights to carry 7lb. extra. Four furlongs.
CLYDE HANDICAP (14.1) of 30 sovs. For all horses 14 hands 1in. and under. The winner of a handicap after declaration of weights to carry 7lb. extra. Five furlongs and a half.
TIME HANDICAP TROT of 50 sovs. For all horses in saddle or harness; riders, 11st 7lb; drivers, 10st 10lb. The winner of any trot after the declaration of handicap to be penalised 10 seconds. Acceptance at scale, 1 sov. Two miles.
SEPTEMBER HANDICAP (14.0) of 35 sovs. For all horses 14 hands and under. The winner of a handicap after declaration of weights to carry 7lb. extra. Five furlongs.
MINIATURE HANDICAP (13.2) of 55 sovs. For all horses 13 hands 2in. and under. Half a mile.
THE GALLOWAY HANDICAP (14.2) of 50 sovs. For all horses 14 hands 2in. and under. The winner of any handicap after declaration of weights to carry 7lb. extra. One mile.
Nomination fee for each event, 1 sov. Entries close FRIDAY, August 28, 1891, up to 5 p.m., with the Secretary. Handicaps will be declared on or about Monday, August 31. 1891. New South Wales rules.
G. B. ROWLEY, Secretary, 20 Barrack-st., Sydney.

THISTLE Club of N.S.W.—Social To-night, Carrington Hall, C'reagh-st., at 8. G. Colquhoun, Hon. Sec.

BARN-DANCE taught correctly, Professor Smith. Classes 4 p.m. every Sat. Surreyville, Newtown-road.

DANCING.—Professor Smith's Ballroom for Balls, Socials, &c., every conv. Surreyville, Newtown-road.

WANTED, a WICKET, in the vicinity of Moore Park. State full particulars LBX, Herald.

FISHING.—S.S. Gosford leaves Floating Jetty Saturday Next at 1 p.m. Bait provided. Evans Bros.

PURCHASE Smith ORGANS from Sole Agents. Bruce and Massey, 197 Pitt-street.

CASH or TERMS for PIANOFORTES. Bruce and Massey, 197 Pitt-street.

COOK'S Hawkesbury and Pittwater Trip, calling at Church Pt. and Barview: 8s 6d. Tickets, 4 Hunter-st.

MUSIC UP TO DATE.—MUSIC.—BRUCE and MASSEY, 197 Pitt-street, Sydney.

CROWN LAND SALE at Carlingford, To-morrow. Lithos. and Price Lists, R. and W., Limited. (1932)

THEATRE ROYAL.

Lessee ... Mr. S. Lazar
Sub-lessee ... Mr. Geo. Musgrove.
Business Manager ... Mr. F. Emery.
Treasurer ... G. L. Goodman.

BEGIN 7.45. CARRIAGES at 10.40.

THE OLD GUARD.

LAST NIGHTS
of the
famous
ROYAL COMIC OPERA COMPANY,
in the
OLD GUARD
OLD GUARD.

J. C. WILLIAMSON, in announcing the last nights of the present season, and the
DEPARTURE OF THE OLD GUARD,
has much pleasure in stating that
Miss IDA OSBORNE
will make her first appearance this season in her original part of
FRAISETTE,
and that
Mr. CHARLES RYLEY,
having recovered from his severe illness, will re-appear
TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, EVENING.

THE
OLD
GUARD.

THE MOST BRILLIANT
SUCCESS OF THE SEASON.

EVERY EVENING UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE,
Farnie and Planquette's Comic Opera, in three Acts, entitled
THE OLD GUARD
THE OLD GUARD.

Characters by the
ROYAL COMIC OPERA COMPANY.

RECEIVED WITH THE UTMOST ENTHUSIASM.

A special feature of the production is the sensational
FIN-DE-SIECLE BALLET,
Danced by the popular
ROYAL BALLERINAS,
INSTRUCTED by Miss MARIE REDDALL.

MUSICAL CONDUCTOR ... Mr. LEON CARON
STAGE DIRECTOR ... Mr. HENRY BRACY.
The BOX OFFICE is OPEN daily from 10 till 5 at the THEATRE. Seats can be booked a week in advance.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:
Dress Circle and Reserved Stalls ... 5s
Stalls ... 3s Family Circle ... 2s
ABSOLUTELY NO FREE LIST.
CHILDREN IN ARMS NOT ADMITTED.
Tickets for Stalls and Family Circle may be purchased during the day at Power's Hotel.

JUGS and MUGS at 9.30 Every Evening, THEATRE ROYAL.

THE DASHING MILITAIRE at 10.30. ELTON'S Greatest Success. Trebly Encored.

THE FIN-DE-SIECLE BALLET Every Evening at 9.20.

THEATRE ROYAL.—Three Encores Nightly for the sensational FIN-DE-SIECLE BALLET.

SCHOOL OF ARTS.

THE VAUDEVILLE MINSTREL AND SPECIALTY COMPANY.

88th WEEK. 88th WEEK.

Sole Lessee and Proprietor ... Mr. DAN. TRACEY.

New and Original Burlesque.	New and Beautiful Original Burlesque, LIFE ON THE OCEAN WAVE, on board the Magnificent S.S. Vaudeville. The Deck arranged by Mr. J. G. Matthews.
New and Original Burlesque.	This Original Burlesque is produced under the command of Admiral Dan. Tracey, and the S.S. Vaudeville will sail at 8 p.m. sharp from the SCHOOL OF ARTS, PITT-STREET.
New and Original Burlesque.	Large additions have been made to the present view, including the great Irish Comic Singer, DICK DAVIS, and the greatest of living Alto Vocalists, J. M'NAMARA, and a number of charming and beautiful LADIES,
New and Original Burlesque.	who, because of the number of officers, middies, stowaways, and other cargo, are obliged to take refuge in the rigging, where they will take the parts of the very necessary A.B.'s BEFORE THE MAST.
New and Original Burlesque.	Sydney is going to be surprised TO-NIGHT. Although Admiral Tracey has been to much expense to produce a first-class entertainment, it will surprise ALL
New and Original Burlesque.	to hear that the prices WILL NOT BE RAISED. DON'T BE LATE. Get tea early and have your bonnets and gloves ready, because the business of Getting Seats
New and Original Burlesque.	to see this ORIGINAL BURLESQUE is going to be a serious one, and experience shows that the early worm gets there all the same.
Front Seats, Two Shillings.	EVERY ITEM A SPECIALTY. GRAND AFTERNOON PERFORMANCE
Back Seats, One Shilling.	EVERY SATURDAY, at 2.30 o'clock. Admission—Adults, 1s; Children, 6d.
Gallery, Sixpence.	LOOK OUT FOR NEW STARS, ALWAYS COMING.

Y. M. C. A. HALL.

JUDE'S FAREWELL RECITALS,
August 28th and 31st.
September 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th.

JUDE'S FAREWELL RECITALS, SATURDAY, at 8.	NEW SONGS, NEW ANECDOTES, NEW MUSICAL SKETCHES, NEW INSTRUMENTAL SOLOS. Mr. W. H. JUDE'S Mr. W. H. JUDE'S FAREWELL RECITALS FAREWELL RECITALS.
JUDE'S FAREWELL RECITALS. SATURDAY, at 8.	SATURDAY EVENING, at 8. GENUINE SUCCESS. RAPTUROUS APPLAUSE. The following opinion has been endorsed by the entire Press, Public, and Profession of Sydney:—
JUDE'S FAREWELL RECITALS. SATURDAY, at 8.	Rev. HUGH STOWELL BROWN says:—"I know nothing more pleasant, instructive, and entertaining than an hour spent at Jude's delightful Musical Evenings." Plan and Tickets at Paling's. Popular Prices, 3s, 2s, and 1s.

MR. DALL, who received the only Medal awarded for Ferns, Palms, &c., at the Melbourne International Exhibition, 1880-1, has just arrived from New Zealand with the Choicest Collection of FERNS ever brought to Australia. These are for Sale at 289 George-street, opposite Hunter-street.

MANLY WILD FLOWER SHOW, 23rd, 24th, 25th, and 26th September.

LILLIE BRIDGE GROUNDS,
FOREST LODGE.
To-morrow Night SATURDAY, To-morrow Night
To-morrow Night August 29. To-morrow Night
PONY RACING and TROTTING,
TO-MORROW SATURDAY NIGHT.

FOOTBALL FOOTBALL.

TO-MORROW (SATURDAY).
ROYAL AGRICULTURAL GROUND.
RUGBY RUGBY RUGBY.
JUNIOR FINALS.
WENTWORTH v. PIRATES.
UNIVERSITY v. CARLTON.
AUSTRAL v. ROSLYN.
Admission, ONE SHILLING.
Admission, ONE SHILLING.
Special Tram.
Special Tram.
F. WEBSTER,
Secretary.

Business Cards.

ARTIFICIAL TEETH.—Marshall Bros., Dentists, 141 Elizabeth-st., near Market-st. Gas administered.

ARTIFICIAL Teeth.—Herbert J. Josephson, Dentist, all branches. 278 Oxford-st., Pad., opp. reservoir.

LACE Curtains Cleaned and Framed, equal to new, 1s 6d pair, orders called for. American Laundry, Padd.

THE Ladies' Dining Rooms, separate entrance and lavatory, Temperance Hall, Pitt-st. Dinner 1s, Tea 9d.

Miscellaneous.

FOR SALE, new and second-hand Shop and Office Fittings, Showcases, &c. M. Kurtz, 377 Pitt-street.

LEFT-OFF Clothing.—Before disposing of send for Mr. or Mrs. Gubbins, 69 George-st. West. H.C. Buyers.

LEFT-OFF Clothing, &c., bought. Letters attended by Mr. or Mrs. Woolf, 178 Bay-street, Glebe.

LEFT-OFF Clothing Bought. Letters attended by Mr. and Mrs. White, 97 Liverpool-street, nr. George-st.

MR. Miss Mitchell Purchase all descriptions ladies', gentlemen's Left-off Clothing. 6 Macquarie-street S.

FIXED Deposits received by the Bank of Sydney, 79 King-street, at the following rates: 10 per cent. for 3 years, 9½ per cent. for 2 years, 9 per cent. for 1 year. Bank open until 9 p.m. every evening.

LEFT-OFF Clothing bought, 100 per cent. over all dealers. Letters attended. A. Barnett, 529 Elizabeth-st.

HIGHEST cash prices given for Cast-off Clothing. Mr. Phillips, 482 Elizabeth-st. Letters attended.

MR. PHILLIPS, 482 Elizabeth-st., Buys or Lend Money on Clothing and Sundries. Letters attended.

MALACCA CANES.—Just opened, few good canes, with sterling Silver Mounts. Blackshaw, Royal Arc'e.

MRS. HALPIN purchases all descriptions ladies' and gent.'s left-off Clothing. 26 Botany-st., Surry H.

FOR SALE, large Gas Cooking STOVE (Eureka, 440), nearly new. Sidaway's Boot Factory, Waverley.

BEES wanted, with or without Hives. State price. Address J., 145 Victoria-street, Darlinghurst.

FOWLS, Fowls.—For SALE, my Breeding Pen of Andalusians, 5 hens and unrelated cock, lot £7 10s, equal to any pen in colony; also Wyandottes, 6fs and 8fs pair; also few Spanish Lemon Cochin and Langshans, cheap; approval if desired. JOHN PLAYER, Bathurst.

FOR SALE, Office FURNITURE, Desk, Table, and Chairs. Mr. Gough, 37 Vickery's-chambers, Pitt-st.

WANTED to Buy, pair Wooden GATES, 6ft. by 7ft. 10 Bent-street, Paddington.

BUTCHERS.—Gardiner's 17in. Block Sausage Machine, for sale, cheap. 14 Little Arthur-st., S. H.

WANTED, 1000 Hardwood Sleepers, new or secondhand. South Clifton Coal Company, 6 Park-st.

PHOTOGRAPHIC Camera, Lenses, Burnisher, and Sundries for Sale, will teach bus. 16 Brown-st., Newtn.

MINES Assayer and Metallurgist would meet gent., party with means, go W. Australia. W. A., P.O., Ntn.

LEFT-OFF Clothing.—Wanted to Buy, highest price given. T. Wiley, 552 Elizabeth-st. Letters attended.

HER MAJESTY'S THEATRE.

Sole Lessee and Manager ... Mr. Geo. Rignold.
Stage Manager ... Mr. J. W. Hazlitt.
Treasurer ... Mr. C. R. Bailey.

Please note that the performance COMMENCES AT 7.30.

CONTINUED ENORMOUS SUCCESS.

LIGHTS O' LONDON (×69)	Pronounced a great dramatic triumph by press and public. Each scene received with increasing demonstrations of delight, culminating into a perfect hurricane of enthusiasm at the Regent's Park Canal scene, and the heroes plunge into a bona fide lake, of upwards of 100 tons of real water, by Mr. Geo. Rignold as Harold Armitage. The LIGHTS O' LONDON is a play full of human interest, teeming with little touches of every-day life and character. It is invested with a wholesome motive, and anyone might come away a better man or a better woman after witnessing it. EVERY EVENING, at 7.30, THE LIGHTS O' LONDON, interpreted by Mr. GEO. RIGNOLD Mr. WM. RIGNOLD Mrs. GEO. RIGNOLD and the entire strength of Her Majesty's Dramatic Company. During the overture will be sung the ballad "Lights o' London Town." Magnificent Scenery by CLINT and OWEN. Box Plan at Theatre. Prices, 5s, 3s, 2s, 1s. Doors open at 7. Carriages 10.45.

CHILDREN IN ARMS NOT ADMITTED.

J. P. MACDONALD, Acting Manager.

HER MAJESTY'S THEATRE.
Sole Lessee and Manager ... Mr. Geo. Rignold.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, SEPTEMBER 2, 1891.

GRAND COMPLIMENTARY MATINEE BENEFIT
Tendered by the Combined Managers of the Sydney Theatres to
R. B. WISEMAN
(for many years connected with the profession),
who has had the misfortune to become totally blind, and has a wife and family dependent on him for support.
The Australasian Musical and Dramatic Society have contributed £10 from the funds.
Mr. GEO. RIGNOLD has kindly placed the theatre at the disposal of the committee gratuitously, and the whole of the members of the Dramatic and Musical Profession have volunteered their services, and will contribute
A MONSTER PROGRAMME.

The Box Office is open daily, holders of Dress Circle tickets can secure their seats.
Acting Managers and Treasurers:—
The combined staff of the Sydney Theatres.
Stage Manager, Mr. Frank Emery.
These gentlemen will thankfully receive donations from those unable to attend, but who are desirous of assisting the charity.
For full particulars see Bills and To-morrow's papers.

AN EVENING with DICKENS.—Centenary Hall, next Monday. (See Saturday.)

CARRINGTON ATHLETIC GROUNDS.
THIS AFTERNOON THIS AFTERNOON.
The PROFESSIONAL HANDICAP will be run, starting at half-past 3, final at 5.
Nominations for the 250 Yards Professional, to be run next Friday Afternoon, close to-night. E. GEE.

CROWN LAND SALE at Carlingford, To-morrow. Lithos. and Price Lists, R. and W., Limited. (1932)

Military Notices.

FIRST REGIMENT INFANTRY.

MUSKETRY COURSE of undermentioned Companies will take place as follows:—

A and B Companies—Preliminary Drill, 7.30 p.m., at Victoria Barracks, on August 31, September 1, 2, 3.
C and D Companies—Preliminary Drill, 7.30 p.m., at Victoria Barracks, on September 14, 15, 16, 17.
A and B Companies—Target Practice, September 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11.
C and D Companies—Target Practice, September 18, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25.
At Flemington daily, at 9.30 a.m., unless otherwise ordered.
Dress—Drill order, rifles without slings (haversacks will be worn).
Recruits, 3rd class shots, and unexercised men of last year must attend 4 preliminary drills before being allowed to go through Target Practice.
By order.
C. F. BARTLETT,
Major and Adjt.

Auction Sales.

HORSES, VEHICLES, and HARNESS.

GEORGE KISS will sell by auction, at the Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock,
All lots not specially advertised.
And at 12 o'clock,
All lots specially advertised.
Regular Sales at the Bazaar daily, and at Camperdown or elsewhere any afternoon.
LIVERY.—In this department charges moderate, and best of forage.

SPLENDID PONY TURNOUT.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt and Castlereagh streets, THIS DAY, Friday, at 12 o'clock,
A very handsome mottled grey pony, 8 years, quiet and reliable in saddle and harness, with trap and harness, almost new, to suit pony.

FANCY POULTRY.

GEORGE KISS will sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, THIS AFTERNOON, at 3 o'clock,
Fancy poultry of various breeds.

GEORGE KISS has for private sale at the Bazaar, 3 Draught stallions and 1 blood stallion.

ANNUAL SALE
of
SIRES and RACEHORSES.

T. S. CLIBBORN will hold his Annual SALE of SIRES and RACEHORSES at Fennelly's Bazaar, Pitt-street, Sydney, on
MONDAY, AUGUST 31 NEXT,
at 2 o'clock p.m.

Persons wishing to offer lots at above sale will please give early notice.
14 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

ANNUAL SALE OF SIRES AND RACEHORSES.

T. S. CLIBBORN has been instructed to sell by auction, at Fennelly's Bazaar, Pitt-street, on MONDAY next, August 31, at 2 o'clock p.m.,
The following Horses:—

On account of the owner,
Brown mare LASSIE, 4 years, by a son of Malta, dam by a son of Kingston (imp.).

On account of Mr. F. W. Farey,
Chestnut horse LORD EXETER (foaled December 10, 1887), by Childe Harold (imp.), dam by Shakespeare (imp.). (Trotted 1 mile in Moore Park 3.22¾ as a yearling).

On account of Mr. E. Neich,
Bay horse HIRAM WOODRUFF, 5 years, by Vermont Junr. (imp.), dam Beeswing II. by Chatterbox from Beauty.

On account of the owners,
Bay filly ADELAIDE, 3 years, by Rapid from Clio (dam of Centaur); engaged in Selling Plate A. J. C. Meeting
Brown horse KNIGHT TEMPLAR, 5 years, by Gemma di Vergy (imp.) from Maltese Cross (imp.)
Bay filly, 4 years, by Goldsbrough from Milliner, by Millionaire (imp.) from Caress (dam of Faublas)
Bay filly, 3 years, by Sardonyx from Little Wanser (dam of the Gift), by Maribyrnong or Malta from Milliner
Brown filly, 3 years, by Cheviot (imp.) from Milliner
Black horse ELCHO, 7 years, by Excelsior from Echo (winner of several Produce Stakes in the Clarence River district), and guaranteed a sure foal-getter
Chestnut horse, 4 years, by King Cole (imp.) from Charity by Lucifer (2)
Bay horse HALO, 4 years, by Monmouth from Aureola (own sister to Robinson Crusoe).

On account of Henry Barnes, Esq.
Bay roan horse YOUNG ADONIS, Norfolk trotter, by Young Rapid Roan, dam by Phenomenon.

On account of Andrew Armstrong, Esq.
Brown horse ST. JULIAN, 4 years, by Vermont Jun. (imp.), from Cora (imp.), by Dave Hill.

On account of the owner.
Chestnut gelding TOMASO, 7 years, by Gainsborough, dam by Snowden.

On account of Mr. James Bryan.
Bay gelding, 5 years (untried), by Childe Harold (imp.), dam by Lord of the Hills (imp.).

On account of Mr. H. Knight,
the following fast trotters:—
Bay gelding TOM KING, 6 years, by Bocacio
Bay gelding JIMMY, aged, winner of several races
(Both of the above are perfect hacks and harness horses).
Brown filly, 4 years, by Childe Harold (imp.), from Mag by Maribyrnong, dam by Gilberton.

On account of John Hay, Esq., Coolangatta,
The Oldenburgh imported stallion VULCAN, foaled April 27, 1886, by Rynald, dam by a son of Cleveland.

On account of the owner.
Bay horse DALLEY, by Kingsborough, from Modesty.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29, at 11 a.m.

C. D. ROYLETT will sell by public auction, at the rear of the Belle Vue Hotel, Regent-street, Redfern, Horses and several vehicles, including a superior round hansom cab, buggy, spring cart, &c., &c.

50 HEAD of HEAVY DRAUGHT and LIGHT HARNESS HORSES, from Bream.

FOR SALE at CAMPERDOWN YARDS.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 1891.

BRUNKER and WOLFE have received instructions from Messrs. Clift Bros. to sell by auction, at the Camperdown Yards, on WEDNESDAY, September 2, 1891, at half-past 2 o'clock,
50 head of horses, direct from Bream, and comprising 30 magnificent draught colts and 20 active light harness horses, suitable for van, cab, or any light harness purpose.

The above draft of horses will be found on inspection superior to the last lot, in the pink of condition, and the right ages for work.
The Bream bred horses are so well known and famed for their superior qualities as workers as well as doers that the Auctioneers can with confidence recommend them to Contractors, 'Bus, Cab Proprietors, and others who have not previously tried them.

TERMS, CASH.

CROWN LAND SALE at Carlingford, To-morrow. Lithos. and Price Lists, R. and W., Limited. (1932)

INGLIS and SON'S HORSE BAZAAR.

THIS DAY, at half-past 10 a.m. sharp.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, the following:—
At half-past 10 o'clock,
Vans, springcarts, horses, and harness
Draught horses, tipdrays, and harness.
At 12 o'clock,
Superior draught mares and geldings
Well-bred saddle and harness horses
Van, 'bus, and saddle horses.

PURE-BRED POLLED ANGUS BULL.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. PHILLIP CHARLEY, Belmont, Richmond, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, August 28, at 12 o'clock,
KEILLOR, pure-bred polled Angus bull, calved 3rd February, 1889, by Laird of Waimea (3862 H. B.), dam Dot (172 Totara H. B.), by Solomon (imp.).

BREEDERS REQUIRING A BULL OF THIS EXCELLENT BREED OF CATTLE SHOULD NOT MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY, AS KEILLOR is a SPLENDID ANIMAL, and his PEDIGREE can be GUARANTEED.

FULL PEDIGREE AT SALE.

IMPORTED ANGORA RAM.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
Pure Angora ram (imp.)

BROWN GALLOWAY, by TESTATOR.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. D. WEAVER, Windsor, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
Brown gelding, by Testator dam Georgiana; a very fast pony.

BLACK COB GELDING.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. MABIN to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
Black cob gelding, 5 years, thoroughly broken-in to saddle and single and double harness.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have for Private SALE,
THE PURE CLYDESDALE STALLION
PRIDE OF TAIERI,
Colour brown, foaled November 21, 1885, sire Sir Geo. Grey (imp.), dam Jenny (93 N.Z. Stud Book), &c., &c.

NOW ON VIEW AT THEIR BAZAAR, WHERE FULL PARTICULARS CAN BE OBTAINED.

WEEKLY PRODUCE SALE.

INGLIS'S RAILWAY SALEYARDS, 827 GEORGE-STREET,
ON FRIDAYS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and Son will sell by auction, at their Railway Yards, 827 George-street, THIS DAY, Friday,
at 12 o'clock sharp,
Calves, pigs, lambs, suckers.
At 2 o'clock sharp,
150 coops poultry, turkeys, geese, ducks, fowls, &c.
At half-past 2 o'clock sharp,
900 boxes first-class roll butter, from Southern districts
70 kegs butter, including Myrtleville factory and other first-class Southern brands
200 cases fresh eggs, 10 cases cheese, best brands
Superior corn-fed bacon, lard, honey, &c. &c.
200 DEAD PIGS 200

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Railway Yards, 827 George-street, THIS DAY, Friday, at 12 o'clock,
200 first-class dead pigs, per rail.

TO POULTERERS and OTHERS.

300 PRIME FAT TURKEYS 300

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Railway Yards, THIS DAY, Friday, August 28, at 2 o'clock,
300 prime fat turkeys, from Cooma.

HORSES. HORSES.

CAMPERDOWN.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY.
at 2.30 p.m.

HILL, CLARK, and CO. have received instructions from Messrs. Smith Bros. to sell by auction THIS DAY, the balance of their Richmond River Horses, bred by Hy. Barnes, Esq., Dyraaba; H. Smith, Esq., Kyogle; and E. O. Bundock, Esq., Wyangarie, consisting of
40 head medium draught, and very superior 'bus, cab, and light harness horses.

Nearly all the heavy draughts have been sold out of this mob, so that those forward to-day will be found a very superior lot of light harness horses, and judging by the keen competition met with by the light horses on the two previous days it should be a good guarantee as to the class of horses coming forward to-day.
In this lot will be offered
A brown COLT rising five years old, fit for a carriage, by the thoroughbred horse Fireworks, out of a light draught mare; also, a
Chestnut COLT of the same description.

BRUNKER and WOLFE will sell by auction, at their Produce Stores, Circular Quay, THIS DAY, Friday, the 28th instant, at 9.30 o'clock,
Hides, yearlings, &c.
At half-past 2,
Casks tallow.

F. L. BARKER and CO. will sell by auction, at their Stores, at 9.30, Hides and bark; 2.30, tallow.

GOLDSBROUGH, MORT, and CO., Limited, sell at Cir. Quay Ware'se, at 9.30 a.m., Hides and bark.

CHILLED MEAT.

GEO. MAIDEN (for Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., Limited) will sell by auction, at the Government Meat Markets, Darling Harbour, THIS DAY, the 28th instant, at 11 o'clock sharp.
On account of the Executors late Thos. Walker, Tenterfield, Prime beef and mutton, country killed.
On account of H. W. Larance, Esq., Eskbank,
Prime beef, mutton, and pork.
Terms, Cash.

WEEKLY PRODUCE SALE.

HARRISON, JONES, and DEVLIN, Limited, will sell by public auction, at their Warehouse, Young-street, THIS DAY, Friday,
At 9.30 sharp, Hides, calfskins, &c.
At 2.30 sharp, Casks tallow.
Terms Cash.

HARRISON, JONES, and DEVLIN, Limited, will sell by public auction, at Wool Brokers'-cham., Young-street, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, the 28th instant, at 11.30 o'clock, Butchers' green sheepskins.

WEEKLY PRODUCE SALE.

HILL, CLARK, and CO. will sell by auction, at their Produce Stores, Circular Quay, THIS DAY, Friday,
At half-past 9 o'clock sharp,
Hides, yearlings, &c.
At half-past 2 o'clock,
Casks tallow.

JOHN BRIDGE and CO. will sell by auction, at their Stores, THIS DAY, Hides, bark, tallow, &c.

METROPOLITAN Meat Market, Hay-st., auction Sale THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock Beef mutton, pigs.

NEALE and BEGGS sell by auction every day at Newtown at 7 a.m., Darling Harbour at 8.30, also at Alexandria every Tuesday and Thursday at 12 o'clock,
Wood, posts, and rails, &c.

NEALE and BEGGS will sell by auction, at their Yards, Engine-street, Haymarket, THIS DAY, at 2 o'clock,
Dead pigs, poultry, butter, bacon, eggs, &c.

HIDES.

THE NEW ZEALAND LOAN and MERCANTILE AGENCY COMPANY, Limited, will sell by auction, at their Bridge-street Stores, THIS DAY, at 9.30 a.m.
Hides
Calfskins and yearlings.
Terms Cash.

SEAFORTH PROCTER will sell by auction THIS DAY, at Newtown Station, at 7 a.m., firewood.
At Darling Harbour Terminus, at 8.30 a.m., firewood.
At his Mart, 741 George-street,
at 12 o'clock,
50 carcases corn-fed pork, Bathurst hares, rabbits
Prime suckers, porkers, calves
300 coops turkeys, geese, ducks, and fowls.
At 4 o'clock,
60 boxes and kegs butter, best dairies
400 cases new-laid duck and hen eggs
30 sides corn-fed bacon, hides, wax, and sundries.

WEEKLY PRODUCE SALE.

ELLIS and CO. will sell by auction, at their Sydney Produce Sale Yards, AT THE REAR OF 791 GEORGE-STREET SOUTH (ENTRANCE VALENTINE-LANE), THIS DAY, at 1 o'clock,
Fat calves, lambs, pigs, suckers, and carcase pork
100 carcases prime farm-fed pork, ex rail.
At half-past 1 o'clock,
Roll and keg butter, cheese, bacon, eggs, honey, lard, fruit, &c.
Six tons pure garden honey, ex rail.
At half-past 2 o'clock,
A large quantity of poultry, including ducks, geese, turkeys, fowls, pigeons, birds, rabbits, hares, &c., &c.

UNDER BILL OF SALE.
To Private Buyers, Dealers, and Others.

HYAM HAINS has received instructions from the Mortgagees to sell by public auction, on THIS DAY, FRIDAY, the 28th, at 11 a.m., on the premises, Sunnyside, No. 52 Botany-street, near Oxford-street,
Superior Household FURNITURE and Effects,
Piano (Foster), a grand instrument
Piano, Aucher Freres (Paris), first-class
Suite upholstered in morocco, stuffed backs
Walnut sideboard, plateglass back and front
Carpets, Brussels and Wiltons
2 card tables, whatnots, loo tables
Handsome pictures and ornaments
Hallstand (large) and chairs to match
Gipsy occasional Sutherland tables
Pair pedestal duchesse toilets and ware
2 pairs duchesse toilets, in walnut
Three-winged wardrobe, plateglass front
6 chests drawers, washstands, and ware
8 single and double bedsteads and bedding
Cots, fenders, cornice and hangings
Mangle, gas stove, copper
Crockery, glassware, e. p. ware
Dresser, k. safe, k. tables, toilet tables
Laundry utensils, sundries, &c.
NO RESERVE. TERMS, CASH.
THIS DAY, FRIDAY, at 11 a.m.
UNDER BILL OF SALE.

UNRESERVED AUCTION SALE.
At 2 o'clock sharp, on the Premises, No. 6 Little Belmore-street (back of Brewery), Surry Hills.

BRADLEY and CO. have received instructions to sell by auction, as above,
Double tubular bedsteads and bedding, washstands and sets, sewing machine in good order, dining tables, Austrian chairs, spring-seated couches, kitchen furniture, kitchen utensils, confectionery glasses, scales and weights, &c., &c. Terms, cash. No reserve. BRADLEY and CO., Auc., Park-street, over Post-office.

MONDAY, August 31st, 11 a.m.

C. D. ROYLETT will sell by auction, at the Oddfellows' Hall, Redfern-street, Redfern,
Colonial wines, ales, groceries, cement
Linoleums, oilcloths, hairdresser's chair, books
Cutlery and E.P. cruets, tables, stoves, safes, crockery
Occasional and Austrian chairs, glassware, baths
Mirrors, card table, copying press, chest drawers, &c., &c., &c., &c.

On Account of Whom it May Concern.

WITHOUT RESERVE.
TERMS, CASH.

CROWN LAND SALE at Carlingford, To-morrow. Lithos. and Price Lists, R. and W., Limited. (1932)

THIS DAY, 28th AUGUST, at 11 a.m.

IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION.

Under instructions from Messrs. JEWELL, DAVIS, and CO., as agents for the Manufacturers.

TRIAL SHIPMENT
of
SPLENDIDLY-BUILT AMERICAN BUGGIES,
comprising
SINGLE and DOUBLE SEATED BUGGIES, with hoods,
OPEN BUGGIES,
AMERICAN CONCORD BUGGIES,
ROAD CARS, EXPRESS WAGGONS,
PHAETONS,
&c., &c., &c.
Also,
80 SETS AMERICAN HARNESS,
Collar and Hames and Breast Collar, brass and nickel plated.

To Livery Stable Proprietors, Coach and Carriage Builders, Professional Gentlemen, &c.

HARRIS and ACKMAN will SELL the above BY AUCTION, at the NEW AUCTION MART, 199 PITT-STREET, THIS DAY, 28th AUGUST, at 11 a.m.

ON VIEW PRIOR TO SALE.

TERMS AT SALE.

At LIVERPOOL-ROAD, BURWOOD.

MONDAY, 31st AUGUST, at 11 a.m.

IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION.

On the Premises,
HILLMOUNT VILLA,
LIVERPOOL-ROAD, BURWOOD
(close to Rutherford's Store).

Under instructions from the Proprietor.

The whole of the
SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS,
comprising—
WALNUT PIANOFORTE, by Jno. Broadwood and Sons
WALNUT DRAWING-ROOM SUITE, upholstered in Cretonne
WALNUT TABLES, WALNUT MIRRORS
SPLENDID CARPETS
Fenders Fireirons Ornaments Pictures
WALNUT INLAID CHIFFONIER
Austrian Chairs Marble Clocks Pine Tables
Glass China Cutlery Electro Plate
BEDSTEADS and BEDDING
Chests of Drawers, Washstands, Toilet Tables, Toilet Ware
KITCHEN and LAUNDRY FURNITURE
Lawn Mower Garden Tools Lot of Fowls
&c., &c., &c.

To Ladies and Gentlemen Furnishing, Furniture Warehousemen, Dealers, &c.

HARRIS and ACKMAN will HOLD the above IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION, on the PREMISES, HILLMOUNT VILLA, LIVERPOOL-ROAD, BURWOOD (close to Rutherford's Store), on MONDAY Next, 31st AUGUST, at 11 a.m.

'Buses leave Burwood Railway Station every half-hour.

ON VIEW SATURDAY, 29th AUGUST.

TERMS at SALE.

THIS DAY, August 28, 1891,
at 11 a.m. sharp,
at the
CITY MART, GEORGE-STREET,
219 Original Packages
EARTHENWARE, GLASS, CHINA, and FANCY GOODS.

Under instructions from
Mr. James Cullen, importer, 81 Clarence-street.

FRASER and CO. have received instructions from Mr. James Cullen to sell by auction, THIS DAY, 28th instant, at 11 o'clock sharp,
The above.
No reserve. Terms liberal, at sale.

Samples on view day before sale.

THIS DAY, AUGUST 28,
AT THE CITY MART, at 11 o'clock.

Invoice of HOPKINS and SONS' Patent Stannic Enamelled HOLLOWARE and TINNED GOODS.

8 in Diamond, 1-5-5 CASKS.
A good assortment for the Ironmongery trade.

On account of whom it may concern.

FRASER and CO. will sell by auction, as above.

Particulars at Rooms.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, 28th AUGUST,
at 11 a.m.

IMPORTANT UNRESERVED SALE
by Public Auction, at the late residence of
THE LATE Mr. CLARENCE BOARD,
EDISTAN, AUDLEY-STREET,
PETERSHAM,
by order of the Executor in the Estate,
comprising
GLASS, CHINA, E.P. WARE,
DINING and DRAWING ROOM Furniture, in Walnut
MAGNIFICENT UPRIGHT GRAND PIANO, in Walnut Case, by Wagner
CARPETS, CURTAINS, and RUGS
SUPERIOR BEDROOM FURNITURE and Bedding, of A1 quality
KITCHEN and LAUNDRY UTENSILS.

WALTER BRADLEY and CO. have received instructions from the Executor in the Estate of the late Mr. Clarence Board to conduct the above important Sale by auction, on the premises,
EDISTAN, AUDLEY-STREET,
PETERSHAM,
THIS DAY, FRIDAY, 28th AUGUST,
at 11 a.m.

TERMS, CASH.

IMPORTANT BANKRUPT SALE THIS DAY.

On the Premises, 821 George-street, next door to Christ Church.

In the ASSIGNED ESTATE of W. J. SHERLOCK, Furnishing Warehouse.

H. KELLETT and CO. are entrusted with this sale of valuable stock, and have arranged to sell, on the Premises above-named, THIS DAY, Friday, at 11 sharp,
CARPETS, LINOLEUMS, OILCLOTHS
RUGS, MATS, and MATTINGS
BEDDING, BLIND HOLLANDS, FRINGES
TABLECLOTHS and COVERS, CURTAINS
About 200 PATENT OPAQUE BLINDS.

This is a new and most attractive line. They may be had in various designs and sizes.

ORIENTAL CANE LOUNGES and CHAIRS
ELEGANT UPHOLSTERED FURNITURE.

FIXTURES, COUNTERS, TABLES, PIER GLASSES, GAS FITTINGS, CORNICES, &c., &c.

All Goods must be cleared out by Saturday.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, 28th instant, at 11 a.m. sharp.

On the Premises, KIETA HOUSE, 5 BLIGH-ST., City.
UNDER BILL OF SALE.

SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,
comprising
WALNUT PIANOFORTE, WALNUT CABINETS
AUSTRIAN FURNITURE, CARPETS, LINOLEUMS
DINING, OCCASIONAL, LOO, and CHESS TABLES
WALNUT INLAID ditto, E.P. Ware
4ft. 6in. ½-Tester BEDSTEADS and BEDDING
2ft. 6in. ditto ditto, W. and Ware
CHESTS OF DRAWERS, Toilet Glasses and Tables
DUCHESSE TOILETS, WARDROBES
CURTAINS, CORNICE POLES, CUTLERY, CHINA
E.P. WARE, quantity of Household Linen
HOUSEHOLD, COOKING, and Laundry Utensils, &c., &c.

BARNARD and CO. will sell by auction, as above, being the contents of a 12-roomed house, furnished in a very elaborate style.
TERMS, CASH.
Office, 74 Castlereagh-street.

JOHN P. LISTER will sell by auction, at his Rooms, 274 Pitt-street, THIS DAY, the unredeemed pledges, pawned with Mr. L. Samuel, of the Mont de Piété, 386 Oxford-street, Paddington:—
At 11 o'clock, Sundries and jewellery, comprising field and opera glasses, cutlery and platedware, book, gold and silver watches, gold alberts, chains, necklets, brooches and earrings, studs, diamond signet and wedding rings, &c.
At 2 o'clock, Clothing, boots, blankets, &c.

JOHN P. LISTER will sell by auction, at his Rooms, 274 Pitt-street, THIS DAY, the unredeemed pledges pawned with Mr. B. F. Hamilton, of 144 Liverpool-street:—At 11 o'clock, Clothing, boots, blankets, &c.
At 2 o'clock, Sundries and jewellery, comprising cutlery, plated ware, field and opera glasses, books, pictures, gold and silver lever and waltham watches, gold alberts, bracelets, brooches and earrings, studs, breastpins, diamond, signet, and wedding rings, &c.

GREAT FERN SALE.

To Amateur Gardeners, Florists, and Others.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, at 11 o'clock.
LARGE and CHOICE COLLECTION of ELK HORNS, from TWEED RIVER.
New Zealand, Maori, and Silver Tree FERNS.
Very Choice and Rare Collection of BASKET FERNS.
STAG HORNS TREE FERNS
ROCK LILLIES BIRDS' NESTS
PALMS, &c., &c.

DUFF and RICHARDS have received instructions to SELL by PUBLIC AUCTION at THEIR ROOMS, 109 PITT-STREET, THIS DAY (Friday), at 11 o'clock,
As above.
TERMS CASH. NO RESERVE.

100 OLIVE TRUNCHEONS.
From the
PLANTATIONS of Sir SAMUEL DAVENPORT, South Australia.
Three Varieties:
VERDALE VERDALE
BOUQUETTIER BOUQUETTIER
BLANQUETTE BLANQUETTE.

DUFF and RICHARDS have received instructions to sell by public auction, from W. H. Yietkens, Esq., THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock, at their Rooms, 109 Pitt-street.

THIS DAY, Friday, at 11 o'clock,
on the Premises, 194 Devonshire-street, Surry Hills.
In the Bankrupt Estate of George Stewart.
STOCK of GROCERIES, LOLLY GLASSES, SHOP FITTINGS, Horse, Cart, and Harness.

DUNN and WEBB have received instructions from the Official Assignee in the above Estate to sell by auction, as above.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, at 2 o'clock.
On the Premises, SYSTRUM-STREET, off Harris-street.
COACHMAKER'S PLANT.

DUNN and WEBB have received instructions from the City Council, to sell by auction, as above.

H. TENNENT-DONALDSON and CO. have received instructions to sell by auction, under distraint for rent, unless previously satisfied, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock, on the premises, 1 Pembroke-terrace, Powder-street, Camperdown,
Household furniture and effects.
Terms, Cash. No reserve.

Auctioneers' Offices and Sale Rooms—The Newtown Auction Mart. Specialty, Account Sales with Cash Proceeds rendered the same day as sale.

TO PARTIES FURNISHING,
FURNITURE BROKERS.

HUNTLEY and TRICKETT will hold their bi-weekly auction sale at their Mart, 126 Pitt-street, THIS DAY, 28th, at 11 o'clock,
Household furniture
Bedsteads and bedding
Overmantels and sundries
Upright grand piano, by T. D'Almain and Co., and a quantity of electro-plated ware
Also 2 cases photo. albums.
Terms, Cash.

CROWN LAND SALE at Carlingford, To-morrow. Lithos. and Price Lists, R. and W., Limited. (1932)

THIS DAY, FRIDAY.

ORDER OF SALE.

SHARES, CITY and SUBURBAN PROPERTIES,
to be
SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION
at
OUR ROOMS, at 11.30 a.m.,
THIS DAY, FRIDAY.

SHARES.	Various Forfeited Shares in the Great Lode Silver-mining Company, No Liability.
CITY.	Corner Block Land, King and Kent streets, adjoining Keep and Sons' warehouse. Mortgagee's sale.
CITY.	Block of Land, Kent-street, west side, opposite Church-hill, together with old dwellings thereon. Mortgagee's sale.
WOOLLAHRA.	Freehold Block of Land, Oxford-street, east of Queen-street, with blacksmith's shop thereon. Mortgagee's sale.
WOOLLAHRA.	The Phœnix Hotel, corner of Moncur and Wallis streets, close to Oxford-street. Freehold. Mortgagee's sale.
WENTWORTHVILLE.	The unsold portions of the Wentworthville Estate fronting First, Second, Third, Garfield, and Smith streets. Mortgagee's sale.
RUSHCUTTER'S BAY.	Two Shops, Nos. 183 and 185 New South Head-road; and Block of Land, Glenmore-road, leasehold. Mortgagee's sale.
NORTH SYDNEY.	Corner Residence, Mowbray-road, Devonshire and Station streets. Mortgagee's sale.
NORTH WILLOUGHBY.	Various Lots, North St. Leonards Estate, fronting Bligh, Taylor, and Tunks streets. Mortgagee's sale. 2 acres 3 roods 30 perches, fronting a road and Flat Rock Creek. Mortgagee's sale.
PARRAMATTA RIVER.	Various Lots, Putney Estate subdivision, fronting Putney-parade, Phillip-road, and Stanley-street.
ROOKWOOD.	Residence and 5 W. B. Cottages, main road and East-street, D. M'Nab's. Mortgagee's sale. 25 acres 3 roods, adjoining Pott's Estate, near reservoir. Mortgagee's sale.
UPPER BANKSTOWN.	14 acres 2 roods 38 perches, Liverpool-road, part of Campbell Hill Estate. Mortgagee's sale.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Limited.

CITY LAND,

Suitable for Stores or Factory, being handy to WHARFS, WAREHOUSES, &c.

KENT-STREET,
opposite Church-hill, and adjoining Grafton Wharf property.

That CENTRAL and valuable BUILDING BLOCK, having 80½ft. frontage to the West Side of KENT-STREET, with a depth of about 105ft. to 110ft., together with the small dwellings, Nos. 201 and 203 Kent-street, thereon; also Cottage and House at rear.
*** An important block of city freehold land, in a position that should increase in value.
For POSITIVE SALE, by ORDER of MORTGAGEE.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Limited, will sell by auction, at the Rooms, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, 28th August, at 11 o'clock.
The above. (1999)

CITY LAND.

KING AND KENT STREETS.

GRAND CORNER BUSINESS BLOCK,
47ft. x 63ft.
practically in the heart of the city, between the vast wharfs, shipping and agency businesses on the west, and George-street, the main artery of the city. It adjoins the extensive warehouse of
Messrs. JOHN KEEP and SONS,
and could be applied to many important uses.

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE,
for whom Charles Bull, Esq., of Barristers'-court, Elizabeth-street, is Solicitor.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Limited, will sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, 28th August, at 11 o'clock.
The above Land, King and Kent streets. (1989)

KENT-STREET PROPERTY, opposite Church-hill, and adjoining Grafton Wharf Freehold, for AUCTION SALE, at our Rooms, THIS DAY, Friday, 11.30 a.m.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd. (1989)

FOR POSITIVE SALE.
By Order of the Mortgagees.

SANDGATE ESTATE, BOTANY.
A DESIRABLE BUILDING SITE, situate and having 80ft. frontage to the MAIN BOTANY-ROAD, by a depth of about 150ft., being Lots 7 and 8, Sec. 1, of the Sandgate Estate, as per plan.
TITLE, TORRENS.

HARDIE and GORMAN have received instructions to sell by public auction, in the Rooms, 133 Pitt-street, at 11.30 o'clock, on WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2,
The above-described block.

To Private Gentlemen, Boat Proprietors, and Builders.
For Positive Clearance Sale at Auction, the well-known H.D. Boat, REGINA, 24ft.; and VIOLET, 22ft., with all racing and pleasure sails and gear complete
KELPIE, 15ft. C.B., with sails and gear complete
Two Club Skiffs, 2 Light Skiffs, one 16ft. Pulling Dingy, Six Dingies, various lengths, some quite new; also, the whole of Mr. Stephens's well-known Boat-letting Plant.

W. PRITCHARD and SON have received positive instructions from Mr. R. Stephens, who is relinquishing his business, to sell by auction, on the premises, Pyrmont Baths, Point-street, Pyrmont, TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, at 3 o'clock,
The abovedescribed boats and gear, which may be inspected at any time prior to sale.
No reserve. Terms, cash.

THE SIR WALTER SCOTT GOLD-MINING COMPANY (No Liability).

The following SHARES, forfeited for non-payment of first call, will be SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION on FRIDAY, 18th SEPTEMBER,
at 12 midday,
at HOLMSTEN'S FAMILY HOTEL, Victoria-street, Grafton:—

801 to 825	27083 to 27112	54083 to 54182
875 to 900	27123 to 27222	54283 to 54333
2501 to 3000	27333 to 27357	54483 to 54496
4251 to 4500	30023 to 30092	70101 to 70200
5801 to 5900	30233 to 30392	70301 to 70400
6201 to 6300	30193 to 30202	72401 to 72450
9267 to 9281	36218 to 36222	73801 to 73900
11969 to 12066	36308 to 36332	74426 to 74450
14467 to 14566	37333 to 37732	74601 to 74725
14667 to 14866	44983 to 45182	74751 to 75100
15141 to 15166	45283 to 45382	75301 to 75400
15337 to 15366	45603 to 46082	75601 to 75800
15833 to 15882	46233 to 46282	76451 to 76600
16033 to 16082	48083 to 49482	86551 to 86600
16233 to 16257	49683 to 49682	81700 to 82300
22670 to 22682	49883 to 50107	83501 to 83600
25123 to 25232	50643 to 50652	83801 to 84000
25533 to 25632	51183 to 51282	84951 to 85000
26183 to 26282	52183 to 52282	87301 to 87350
26433 to 26457	52333 to 52482	97501 to 98001
26483 to 26532	53553 to 53642	99425 to 99450

By order.
JAS. P. BONNAR,
Legal Manager.

TO COACHBUILDERS, WHEELWRIGHTS, BUILDERS, and CONTRACTORS.
THIS DAY, FRIDAY, AUGUST 28, at 11 o'clock sharp.

T. PHILLIPS (of 16 Elizabeth-street) has received instructions from C. WHATELY, Esq., who is retiring from the trade, to sell by auction, at his works, off KING and BROWN STREETS, NEWTOWN,
The whole of his first-class STOCK and PLANT
Hooded cut-under BUGGY, double-seated buggy
2 spring timber drays, 2 spring vans, baker's cart
Tip cart, hand cart, wheels, axles, springs, felloes
Dressed spokes, clips, shackles, malleable coach fittings
Sewt. carriage bolts, under carriage iron work
Blacksmith's tools, 5 anvils, 5 pairs forge bellows
Vices, swedge blocks, spring steel, bar iron
Quantity of builder's materials, assorted doors
Mantels, sashes, 25 register grates, nails, mixed paints
General IRONMONGERY, stocks and dies
10,000ft. assorted MOULDINGS, corrugated IRON
RIDGE CAPPING, DOWN PIPING
WINDOW GLASS, GUTTERING, &c.

WITHOUT RESERVE. TERMS, CASH.
No Cheques will be accepted.
OUTDOOR SALES CONDUCTED, A SPECIALITY.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, at 1 o'clock.
CAPITAL HOODED CUTUNDER BUGGY
DOUBLE-SEATED BUGGY, good Baker's Cart
2 SPRING TIMBER DRAYS, 2 Spring Vans
New TIPCART, Hand Cart, &c.

T. PHILLIPS will sell by auction, on the Premises, off Brown and King streets, Newtown,
As above.

A1 BUILDING MATERIALS, CORRUGATED IRON, &c.
34 HORDERN-STREET, NEWTOWN.
THIS DAY, FRIDAY, AUGUST 28, at 3 o'clock.
150 Sheets first-class CORRUGATED IRON, all lengths
H.W. JOISTS, Rafters, Studs
FLOORING, LINING, Battens, Stable Doors
Quantity of NEW PICKETS, MANTELS, and Sundries.

T. PHILLIPS (of 16 Elizabeth-street) will sell by auction, on the Premises, as above, in lots to suit purchasers, without reserve. Terms, Cash.
Outdoor Sales conducted—a speciality.

SALE OF BUILDING MATERIALS.
MONDAY NEXT, 31st August, 3 o'clock.
At JONES-STREET, ULTIMO, behind Fire Station,
George-street West.

DOBBIN and ARCHBOLD will sell by public auction, the materials of a w.b. cottage, consisting of
100 sheets galvanised iron
Weatherboards, flooring, lining, joists, studs
Bricks, &c., &c.
Terms, Cash. Without Reserve.
Office and Salerooms:
41 Goulburn and George streets.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29,
at 3 o'clock.

On the Premises,
West and Ernest streets, North (Shore) Sydney.

BUILDING MATERIAL,
comprising—
Cedar and Pine Skirtings, Architraves, Mouldings
Beads, Ornamental Pickets, Doors, Casement Windows
Sashes, and quantity of useful Timber.

CLARKE and M'INTYRE have received instructions from Mr. John Williams to sell as above.
WITHOUT RESERVE.

TO RESIDENTS of GUILDFORD, Fairfield, Canley Vale, Glenfield, Ingleburn, and Minto.—For Auction SALE, SATURDAY next, 3 o'clock,
The whole of the building materials contained in the Old Commercial Bank, Liverpool, to be sold on the Ground in lots to suit purchasers, doors, sashes, rafters, joists, French lights, cedar fittings, skirting, moulding, architraves, sash and door frames, lining, flooring, flagging, galvanised iron, ridge capping, guttering, &c., &c., &c.

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales.
Sheriff's Office, Sydney,
August 27, 1891.
BOOTH v. DUNCAN and CRUICKSHANK.

ON MONDAY, the 31st day of August, 1891, at noon, unless the writ of fieri facias herein be previously satisfied, the Sheriff will cause to be sold by public auction, at 85 Phillip-street, Sydney,
Large quantity of timber and building materials, horse, cart, and harness.
Terms, Cash.
Cheques not Taken.
CHARLES COWPER,
Sheriff.

Mann, Mitchell, Plaintiff's Attorney,
173 Pitt-street, Sydney.

AT 20 CHRISTY-STREET, GLEBE
(opposite Wearne's Foundry).
UNDER DISTRAINT FOR RENT,
THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock prompt.

THE BAILIFF will cause to be sold, HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS. [illegible]

A WONDERFUL MEDICINE.
BEECHAM'S PILLS
are universally admitted to be worth a Guinea a Box for Bilious and Nervous Disorders, such as Wind and Pain in the Stomach, Sick Headache, Giddiness, Fulness and Swelling after Meals, Dizziness and Drowsiness, Cold Chills, Flushings of Heat, Loss of Appetite, Shortness of Breath, Costiveness, Scurvy and Blotches on the Skin, Disturbed Sleep, Frightful Dreams, and all Nervous and Trembling Sensations, &c. The first dose will give relief in 20 minutes. Every sufferer is earnestly invited to try one box of these Pills, and they will be acknowledged to be
WORTH A GUINEA A BOX.
For females of all ages these Pills are invaluable, as a few doses of them carry off all humours, and bring about all that is required. No female should be without them. There is no medicine to be found equal to Beecham's Pills for removing any obstruction or irregularity of the system. If taken according to the directions given with each box, they will soon restore females of all ages to sound and robust health. This has been proved by thousands who have tried them, and found the benefits which are ensured by their use.
For a Weak Stomach, Impaired Digestion, and all Disorders of the Liver, they act like magic, and a few doses will be found to work wonders on the most important organs in the human machine. They strengthen the whole muscular system, restore the long lost complexion, bring back the keen edge of appetite, and arouse into action with the rosebud of health the whole physical energy of the human frame. These are FACTS testified continually by members of all classes of society, and one of the best guarantees to the nervous and debilitated is, BEECHAM'S PILLS have the Largest Sale of any Patent Medicine in the World.
Prepared only, and sold Wholesale and Retail, by the Proprietor, Thomas Beecham, St. Helen's, Lancashire, England, in boxes 1s 1½d and 2s 9d each.
Sold by all Druggists and Patent Medicine Dealers everywhere.
N.B.—Full directions are given with each box.

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RANDWICK RACES, 29th AUGUST, 1891.

A SPECIAL TRAM, suitable for private parties and ladies, will leave Bridge-street for the Randwick Racecourse direct at 12.30 p.m., arrive in time for the first race, and depart from Randwick after the finish of the last.
Passengers are requested to enter the cars from the Bridge-street platform.
Return Tickets, 2s 6d each, can be obtained at the Ticket Office, Bridge-street.

SPECIAL FARE TO THE RANDWICK RACES.
On the above date the fare by special tram (other than that above referred to) to the Racecourse, for the whole or any portion of the journey, will be ONE SHILLING.

SPECIAL ATTENTION is drawn to the fact that the ordinary trams from Randwick will stop at the Racecourse platform up to 3 p.m., but NOT between 3 p.m. and 6 p.m. Trams from Sydney will NOT STOP at this platform between the hours of 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.
By order of the Commissioners.
H. M'LACHLAN,
Secretary.
The Manager's Office,
Sydney, 25th August, 1891.

Government Railways, New South Wales,
Secretary's Office,
Sydney, 27th August, 1891.

TENDERS for the Works, &c., specified below will be received at the Railway Commissioners' Office until 12 o'clock noon on the dates mentioned.

MONDAY, 31st AUGUST.
The PURCHASE of a 10-H.P. SEMI-PORTABLE ENGINE and BOILER. Particulars Interlocking Engineer, Redfern Station. Preliminary deposit, £5.
The SUPPLY of 200 ENGINE-HEAD LAMPS. Particulars Railway Stores, Eveleigh.
The SUPPLY of ROUND, SQUARE, and OCTAGON CAST-STEEL, also of SPRING-STEEL. Preliminary deposit £10. Particulars Railway Stores, Eveleigh.
The ERECTION and COMPLETION of ADDITIONS to TELEGRAPH STORE at EVELEIGH. Particulars Existing Lines Office, 54 Bridge-street.

MONDAY, 7th SEPTEMBER.
The ERECTION and COMPLETION of PASSENGER STATIONS, &c., at LEWISHAM, ASHFIELD, and HOMEBUSH. Particulars Existing Lines Office, 54 Bridge-street, after the 29th instant.
The ERECTION and COMPLETION of a WAGGON-REPAIRING SHOP at BATHURST. Particulars Existing Lines Office, 54 Bridge-street, Sydney, up to the 29th August, and at the Divisional Engineer's Office, Bathurst, after that date.
The ERECTION of STATION-MASTER'S RESIDENCE at CLARENCE SIDING. Particulars Existing Lines Office, 54 Bridge-street, until the 29th August, and after that date at the Divisional Engineer's Office, Bathurst.

MONDAY, 21st SEPTEMBER.
The PURCHASE of a 15-TON STEAM ROAD-ROLLER, to be seen at Darling Harbour Station. Preliminary deposit, £10. Particulars Existing Lines Office, 58 Bridge-street.

MONDAY, 26th OCTOBER.
The PRIVILEGE of PLACING BOOKSTALLS and for the SALE of BOOKS, NEWSPAPERS, &c., at the various RAILWAY STATIONS. Particulars Railway Estate and Property Office, 57 Phillip-street.

NOTE.—The Commissioners do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender. For further particulars see Government Gazette, a copy of which is kept at every Post-office.
By order of the Commissioners.
H. M'LACHLAN,
Secretary.

Government Notices.

NOTICE is hereby given that the WATER SUPPLY will be CUT OFF from the following streets on MONDAY, 31st instant, from 12 o'clock noon till 4 p.m., for putting in new connections:—

REDFERN.
Wells-street, Eveleigh-street, Wilson-street, Abercrombie-street, Codrington-street, Golden Grove-street, Forbes-street.

DARLINGTON.
Rose-street, Darlington-road, Darlington-lane.

NEWTOWN.
King-street, Bligh-street, Forbes-street, Georgina-street, Queen-street, Bucknell-street, Watkins-street, Robey-street, Holdsworth-street, Pine-street, Randle-street, Wilson-street, Eliza-street, Brown-street.

PETERSHAM.
Arrow-road, New Canterbury-road, Trafalgar-terrace, Cavendish-street, Cambridge-street, Aubey-street, Merton-street, Douglas-street, Temple-street, Albany-road, Beet-street, Charles-street, Frederick-street, Fisher-street, Regent-street, Stanmore-road, Crystal-street, Westbourne-street, Margaret-street.

MARRICKVILLE.
Middleton-street, Marshall-street, Denning-street, Shaw-street, Chester-street.

By order.
REGINALD BLOXSOME,
Secretary.
Board of Water Supply and Sewerage,
Sydney, 28th August, 1891.

Lectures.

"WHAT THE SOCIETY OF FRIENDS BELIEVE, AND WHY."

An ADDRESS on the above subject will be given
by
WILLIAM J. SAYCE,
a Minister of the Society of Friends, from England,
in the Y. M. C. A. HALL,
THIS EVENING, at 8 o'clock.

HORACE MARTIN, at Centenary Hall—"An [illegible]"

OUR FIJI LETTER.

SUVA, August 17.

The long spell of dry weather was broken up on Sunday last by a smart thunderstorm, since when we have had a copious and welcome rainfall. The Government Observer's record for the past two months shows rainfall in this district during June 1·61, in July 0·70. Highest reading of thermometer during the same period, 89°; the lowest 62°, prevailing winds E. and S.E.

The Criminal Sessions of the Supreme Court closed on the 27th ultimo. Since my last letter was written 11 cases have been dealt with, involving charges for murder, assaults, arson, burglary, and prison-breaking. In three instances, including the capital charge, the prosecution broke down. Where convictions were recorded, sentences of from nine months to eight years' penal servitude have been passed.

The Royal *Gazette* issue of the 22nd ultimo contains the recently-enacted ordinance relating to bills of exchange, promissory notes, and cheques, which assimilates the procedure in the event of dishonour to the practice of the English Courts.

The Indian immigrant labourers, who will arrive per the Jumma, barque, are allotted:—55 to the Holmhurst estate, Taviuni; 55 to the Penang estate; 56 to the Koronivia estate, Rewa; 60 for the C. S. R. Company's plantations in the same district, and 164 to the Rarawai estate, Ba; in all 390. The total number of immigrants arriving by this barque is 447.

Lady Thurston and family were passengers by the last steamer from your port.

At the close of the late sessions a return dinner to his Honor the Chief Justice was given by the members of the Bar.

The s.s. Taviuni, clearing for Melbourne this afternoon, will have a full cargo, consisting of 432 tons of sugar—220 tons shipped by the Rewa Sugar Company at Lancala Bay, and 112 tons shipped from Penang—108 tons of produce of the Deuba Estate, and 42 tons from Mango Island. In addition to the above, she takes 12,000 bunches of bananas, 600 sacks of coconuts, 2 tons of desiccated coconut, and 150 sacks of peanuts.

I hear that the Birksgate, on her last departure for your port, had to shut out a large quantity of copra, coconuts, &c., offering for shipment at Levuka, all available freight space being engaged by fruit shippers from this port. The Union Company's s.s. Poherua is now fully due from Bulli with 1000 tons of coal, consigned to the C. S. R. Company. She is engaged to freight for Auckland 1500 tons of sugar, produce of the above-named company's Rewa and Rarawai mills. The company's s.s. Fiona cleared for Auckland on the 23rd ultimo with a cargo of 640 tons of sugar and 75 casks of molasses, returning from New Zealand with 260 tons of coal and 210 empty hogsheads. Inward cargo was carried forward for the Ba Estates, from whence the steamer will load outwards for Auckland, probably clearing from Levuka early this week. The Taupo, for Auckland on the 1st instant, had a cargo of 216 tons of sugar shipped at Lancala Bay by the C. S. R. Company, 8695 bunches of bananas, 1403 sacks of copra, 122 sacks of coconuts, 87 sacks of peanuts, 18 cases of desiccated coconut and fruits, and other general sundries.

The Wainui, arriving from Samoa on the 10th instant, cleared for Auckland, via Tonga, on 13th instant, having shipped 240 tons of sugar on account of the C. S. R. Company, produce of Nausori mills, with a full saloon; she also carried away 50 odd native passengers for Tonga and Samoa.

The Southern Cross, steamer, arrived from Auckland, via Russell, on 11th instant, having a cargo of 160 tons of coal. This vessel comes to take up the interinsular running in relief of the s.s. Maori, the latter returning to New Zealand about the end of the current month. The barque Jumma, 89 days out from Calcutta, arrived at Suva on the 27th ultimo after a long and somewhat tempestuous voyage of 89 days, having on board 447 Indian immigrants. An outbreak of measles during the voyage resulted in 11 deaths among the juveniles, but on arrival, all on board being in good health, the vessel was at once admitted to pratique. Bringing passengers only, and without any cargo to land, the barque obtained quick despatch, and cleared for Calcutta, in ballast, on the 31st ultimo.

The labour schooner Eastward Ho put in an appearance on the 14th instant, having on board a full complement of 44 adult immigrants, recruited among the Line Islands.

The Northern Star, brig, from Newcastle, entered inwards at Suva on the 24th ultimo, having on board a cargo of 571 tons of coal consigned to the Fiji Sugar Company. The brig proceeded outwards to Navua, where she will load sugar outwards for New Zealand. The schooner Pitcairn, 150 tons register, last from Tonga, entered inwards on the 28th ultimo, and has since gone forward to Levuka. This vessel is engaged in a mission cruise under the auspices of the Seventh Day Adventists' Society, having on board three elders of the society, and a large stock of religious literature issued from the society's printing presses. Since leaving San Francisco in October last the schooner has visited Pitcairn, Raratonga, and various islands in the Tahitian, Samoan, and Tongan groups. From this it is proposed to proceed to Norfolk Island, thence to New Zealand, and after calling at various Australian ports to return to San Francisco, via New Guinea, the Solomons, and other islands of the Western Pacific. Messrs. M'Coy and Christian are passengers for Norfolk Island on board the schooner. The first-named is the resident magistrate of Pitcairn Island, which he last left in 1884 to visit England. The landed properties of the Mortgage and Agency Company of Australasia, Limited, now in liquidation, were offered for sale at auction by Messrs. Brown and Foster, of Suva, on the 9th inst. One block of land, 87 acres, in the Navua district, was sold at £5 10s per acre. Some Suva suburban lands realised £3 per acre, and several unimproved building sites within the town boundary were sold at from £25 to £70 each. The highest price obtained was £2 5s per foot, for frontage to the Depot-road, running along the harbour line.

A Mr. Sketchley, an expert in tobacco culture, who has devoted the past four months to a thorough inspection of the various islands and districts of this colony, has now selected the Levoni Valley, Island of Ovalau, as the most suitable for this product, and securing a lease from Mr. Sahl, of your city, is now actively engaged in building, clearing, and formation of nursery-beds, to be in readiness for next planting season.

A destructive fire swept over a large portion of the Island of Cicia at the end of last month, doing a great deal of damage to native-owned coconut groves and food plantations. None of the European properties on the island suffered loss thereby.

Consequent on the increasing spread of the "Luvi Na Wai" superstition, the leaders of which claim to have the gift of eternal earthly life in their hands, I hear that the Government intend removing the population of several villages of Central Viti Levu to Kadavu and other islands of the eastern group. The founder of this superstition was deported to Rotumah some two years since, but his apostles or priests claim that his spirit, or in Theosophist parlance, his "Astral" body, visits and instructs them from time to time.

Monsignor Vidal, the Roman Catholic Bishop of Fiji, in his official report claims to have made 180 converts during 1890. The total number of church members in the group is set down at 10,290; number of native children attending schools, 2738.

Mr. W. A. Norres, pensioned officer of the Queensland Government, died in the Levuka Cottage Hospital on 29th ultimo. The deceased gentleman has been for some months in Fiji making botanical collections.

August 19.

The foregoing was written to go forward per s.s. Taviuni mail, via Melbourne, but the Rockton arriving, I have kept the letter back. Captain Saunders reports delay in dock, and one day's detention at Noumea owing to bad weather, as the cause of his being behind time.

The Union Company's s.s. Poherua arrived in port yesterday with full cargo of coals, and goes forward this day to Lancala and Ba to discharge, and load sugars outward for Auckland. The Northern Star, brig, cleared from Navua for Auckland on the 17th instant. Cargo: 1500 sacks sugar shipped by the Fiji Sugar Company.

The Pola, a vessel sent out by the Vienna Academy of Sciences, has brought back proof that the central basin of the Mediterranean is warmer and richer in dissolved salts than the western basin. Touching the question how far light penetrates into the sea, it was found that a white disc could not be seen at a greater depth than 43 metres, but that photographic plates were affected at 500 metres. The proportion of oxygen dissolved in the water increases from the surface downward as the temperature decreases; then it decreases until, at a depth of 400 metres, the proportion is the same as at the surface. Nitrogenous substances in solution vary in inverse proportion to the depth. No free carbonic acid was found.

A FAIR BEAUTIFUL SKIN.—Sulpholine Soap gives the natural tint and peach-like bloom of a perfect complexion, makes the skin smooth, supple, healthy, comfortable. [illegible]

PARLIAMENT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 27.

The PRESIDENT took the chair at half-past 4 o'clock.

BOGUS BANKS AND SWINDLING SOCIETIES.

Mr. WHITE asked the Vice-President of the Executive Council whether the Government are taking steps to protect the public in connection with bogus banks and swindling societies, which are putting up signboards all over the city and deluding ignorant depositors with tempting high rates of interest?

Mr. SUTTOR answered: There is a bill prepared for the purpose of subjecting these institutions to inspection and regulation, which will be introduced so soon as other pressing business admits.

DEFENCE WORKS AT GEORGE'S HEAD AND BARE ISLAND.

Mr. CREED asked the Vice-President of the Executive Council: 1. How much money is it ascertained has been overpaid to the late contractor for the works at Bare Island? 2. When was the matter placed in the hands of the Crown Solicitor? 3. What steps have been taken by that gentleman to the present date for the recovery of this money?

Mr. SUTTOR answered: 1. £6343 is the amount at present ascertained to have been overpaid; that is to say, paid for work which the commission has found not to have been performed, or performed in such a way as not to entitle the contractor to payment. 2. In April last. 3. A demand has been made by the Crown Solicitor for the repayment of the amount and interest, and the claim is now the subject of correspondence with the contractor's solicitor.

Mr. CREED asked the Vice-President of the Executive Council: In view of the information given to the House, that the Government do not intend to permit the late contractor to reconstruct the defective works at Bare Island, and that the only settlement to be arrived at is to obtain the money overpaid to him, what is the reason of the delay in commencing the replacement of these works, as shown to be necessary more than 14 months since?

Mr. SUTTOR answered: Because it is not considered desirable to cover up or destroy the bad work, it being the evidence on which the Government base their claim until the matter is settled with the contractor.

At a later period,

Mr. CREED moved,—"That an address be presented to the Governor, praying that his Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the table of this House copies of all reports relative to faults or defects in construction in the batteries and other works at Bare Island, and the casemate battery at George's Head, made by artillery officers, whose duty brought such works under their charge since they (the works) came under the control of the Military Commandant, together with any minutes or other documents relating to such reports."

The motion was agreed to.

PERMANENT ARTILLERY.

Mr. SUTTOR, in answer to Mr. Creed, said that Brevet-Major Fredk. T. B. Baynes had been appointed to the rank of major in the Permanent Artillery, in the room of Lieutenant-Colonel Murphy, retired.

CROWN LANDS ACT AMENDMENT BILL.

Mr. SUTTOR moved that the Crown Lands Act Amendment Bill be now read the third time.

The motion was agreed to, and the bill read the third time, and returned to the Legislative Assembly with the usual message.

BANKERS' BOOKS EVIDENCE BILL.

Mr. SIMPSON moved that the Bankers' Books Evidence Bill be now read the third time.

The motion was agreed to, and the bill read the third time, and forwarded to the Legislative Assembly with the usual message.

BETTING-HOUSES, SWEEPS, AND CONSULTATIONS.

Mr. LAMB moved,—"That there be laid upon the table of this House a statement of the number of registered letters which passed between June 30, 1890, and June 30, 1891, through the General Post Office, Sydney, addressed to the keepers of betting-houses, or people conducting sweeps or consultations." He directed attention to answers to questions, asked by him, given by the Attorney-General and the Postmaster-General on the 6th and 20th instant respectively. On the 6th instant the Attorney-General said the Government was aware that there existed in the city of Sydney a number of gambling houses where money was illegally taken for sweepstakes and subscriptions to totalisators. On the 20th instant Mr. D. O'Connor said that if the sending of sums of money by post to the advertised promoters of "consultations" or "sweeps" might be considered gambling, there was every reason to believe that the Post Office was largely used for the purpose; at the Postal and Telegraphic Conference, held in February and March last, a resolution was carried,—"That, in the opinion of this conference, it is advisable that the system of dealing with letters relating to sweeps should be uniform throughout Australasia;" he opposed this resolution, and also a somewhat similar one submitted to the Adelaide conference in May, 1890; he believed that the passing of an Act similar to that in force in Victoria and some other colonies, precluding letters of such a character from passing through the post, would not check gambling, but would rather tend to increase what was, to his mind, the more objectionable form of gambling—viz., the open betting which was so prominently advertised in the city press; the open betting system, Mr. O'Connor added, did infinitely more harm than the consultation system, and would be adopted to a far greater extent than it was if the remitting of money to the sweep promoters were declared illegal. An Intercolonial Postal and Telegraphic Conference was held in February and March, 1891, at which a resolution was submitted. "That in the opinion of this conference it is advisable that the system of dealing with letters relating to sweeps should be uniform throughout Australia." He (Mr. Lamb) regretted very much that the Postmaster-General of this colony had opposed that resolution, which contemplated the extension to this colony of a system which was in operation in other colonies, and led to the suppression of the evil to which he had pointed. The Hon. J. Gavan Duffy, in speaking at the conference in support of the resolution, said that Victoria had legislated very strictly against all sweeps—in the first place, against the sweeps themselves, against their being advertised in their own colony's papers, or by any other method in their cities, and also by giving the Postmaster-General very stringent powers as regards dealing with letters known or suspected to relate to sweeps or similar transactions. The 30th clause of the Victorian Post Office Act provided,—"If the Postmaster-General has at any time reasonable ground to suppose any person to be engaged in receiving any money . . . for any undertaking, promise, or agreement, express or implied, to pay or give thereafter any money . . . on any event, or contingency of, or relating to any horse race, or other race, fight, game, sport, or exercise . . . or to be engaged in receiving any money under pretence of foretelling future events, or to be engaged in any fraudulent business or undertaking, then the Postmaster-General may, if he thinks fit, order that no letter, packet, newspaper, or parcel addressed to any such person [either by his own or any fictitious or assumed name], or to any address without a name, shall be either registered or delivered to any such person . . . and if any letter addressed to any such person be received at any post-office, it shall not be delivered to the person . . . but shall be at once sent to the dead letter office in Melbourne. No money orders shall be issued in favour of any such person, and no money order shall be paid to any such person." The matter of sweeps, Mr. Gavan Duffy said, at the time that law was passed, had become such a public nuisance and curse in Victoria, that the Legislature was compelled to take those stringent measures. The columns of the Victorian press teemed with advertisements of sweep promoters, who were no better than swindlers, and worse in every respect than the man who puts his hand in your pocket. The system, Mr. Gavan Duffy proceeded, had become so bad—so detrimental to the public morals, that the Legislature was bound to step in. In Victoria they succeeded in suppressing it; and now an advertisement relating to sweeps was never seen in the papers or in the tobacconists' shops such as was formerly seen; and if anyone attempted to establish a sweep in Victoria, and letters came through the post to him or to any assumed name, it was in the power of the Victorian Postmaster-General's Department to seize those letters and not to deliver them. That being so, the sweep promoters, with an ingenuity that characterised them, went out of the colony and established their headquarters in Sydney. The Victorian Supreme Court decided that the Postmaster-General of that colony was not at liberty to proceed against the sweep promoters who had their headquarters in Sydney and dealt with persons in Victoria, and the consequence was that Sydney drew ever so much money from Melbourne every year, probably £100,000 alone. He (Mr. Lamb) quoted from other speeches made at the conference, expressed his regret that the Postmaster-General of this colony was not present in his place to-night, and urged that the evil to which he had directed attention was so serious that prompt steps should be taken to suppress it. They had all heard of the detestation with which Monte Carlo was regarded by some of the Great Powers, but it seemed to him that unless something were done this colony would earn the unenviable reputation of being the Monte Carlo of Australia.

Mr. SUTTOR said that the hon. gentleman had drawn attention to a matter which was of vital importance to the moral well-being of the whole of the community. There was no objection on the part of the Government to the resolution.

Mr. MACINTOSH said he thought that the matter ought to be hurried forward. Sydney was the home of the gambler at the present time. They did not hesitate to flaunt their business in the public streets, their conduct in that respect being such as no other city in Australasia would tolerate. It was an evidence of the low level of morality to which this city had attained when it suffered what was to be seen in the principal thoroughfares. The way in which gambling was carried on in Sydney at the present time was the greatest and the blackest blot that rested upon this city. He believed that fully 10,000 of its people were engaged in gambling, betting, consultations, and sweeps at the present time. A number of the men so engaged went from one colony to another, but Sydney was the home of the betting man and the gambler, and the place where they practised their profession without let or hindrance. If we were to regain our fair fame we must do something to stop gambling in Sydney. The evil was so rife that many employees were induced to rob their masters to get funds with which to gamble. He was afraid that even an occasional fine of £50 would not suppress the kind of places to which he referred, as the proprietors could well afford and would be satisfied to pay £50 a week to be allowed to carry on those consultations. Mr. Lamb deserved the thanks of the country for bringing that matter forward. They should remove the gamblers; they were no use. They were nothing more nor less than vagrants, cumberers of the earth, who were living upon the vitals of the people and degrading the community. We ought to do something to stop them, to get rid of them. We could never thrive as a people so long as those men were allowed to promote their business in the public streets as they did. He did hope that something would be done by the Government to stop the evil.

Mr. DANGAR said it was well known that for many years past he had manifested great interest in and sympathy for some of our national sports, but nothing could give him greater pain or cause him more annoyance than the manner in which the best interests of our best sports were prejudiced by the almost legitimatised—(hear, hear)—gambling that was permitted to take place in Sydney. The sweeps and gambling which were permitted were exercising a most pernicious effect upon most of those sports which it was our privilege, as it was our pride, to encourage, and he did hope that it would not be left to a private member to grapple with that difficulty. It ought not to be left to Mr. Lamb to struggle with that Augean stable of corruption which was festering in our midst. He hoped that those abominable houses for promoting sweeps would be suppressed. One of the effects of the system complained of was that twice as many horses started in races as would otherwise start, the object being to enable the drawers of certain tickets to receive certain moneys. Everyone could appreciate the injury which such a state of things as that was likely to do to the best interests of the turf.

Mr. CHARLES said that the temptation to engage in sweeps led to a large amount of peculation. A number of those cases of peculation had come before the Courts, but they represented but a very small number of the cases which actually occurred. Young men especially were led astray, and the till of the master suffered. Now, the question which stared them in the face was this—"Are we to stand by and see our sons and the sons of our neighbours ruined by this system?"

Mr. JOHN SMITH said he was afraid that legislation would not do much in checking the gambling propensities of the adult population; but if anything could be done by the Government to protect the morals of youth the Government was bound to make the attempt.

Mr. CREED, Mr. DE SALIS, and Mr. DODDS also supported the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.

Mr. PIGOTT moved that the Married Women's Property Bill be now read the second time. The measure had, he said, already been twice passed by the Council.

The motion was agreed to, and the bill was read the second time.

The House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole to consider the bill in detail.

The various clauses of the bill were agreed to, in some cases with verbal amendments.

The bill was reported with amendments, and the report adopted.

ALBURY RACING CLUB BILL.

The House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole to further consider in detail the Albury Racing Club Bill.

Mr. DAY moved the insertion of a new clause in the bill to empower the trustees to borrow money on mortgage, to be expended in the improvement of the course.

Mr. HOSKINS opposed the insertion of any such clause, on the ground that if the mortgagees foreclosed the land would be diverted from its original trust in so far as the land was made available for other than racing purposes.

Mr. STEPHEN said that the power asked for was one which ought not to be given. In that case the land was given by the Crown upon certain trusts, amongst others being that of recreation. If the Legislature gave the trustees power to mortgage, the property might pass away from the benefit of some of those for whom it was designed.

After further discussion,

Mr. DAY said that he would get a new clause drawn. He moved that the Chairman do now leave the chair, report progress, and ask leave to sit again.

The motion was agreed to, progress was reported, and leave obtained to sit again.

MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. SUTTOR moved that the House do now adjourn.

Mr. D. O'CONNOR explained that his absence at an earlier period of the evening was due, not to any discourtesy to the House, but to the fact that he went to see a friend leave for New Zealand. He had taken it for granted that the motion, not being objected to, would be moved as a formal motion, and as such the practice of the Assembly would be followed, and no observations would be made in relation to it. As to the matters to which attention had been directed, he would take another opportunity of referring to them.

The motion for adjournment was agreed to, and the House, at 25 minutes past 6, accordingly adjourned until 4 o'clock on Wednesday next.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 27.

The SPEAKER took the chair at half-past 4 o'clock.

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS.

Mr. BRUCE SMITH, in answer to Mr. O'Sullivan, said a railway employee named Iveson, engaged at Albury, was dismissed for absenting himself from work on Good Friday, 1891. Iveson had been authorised by chief goods clerk Pocock to absent himself on Good Friday on certain conditions, which he did not comply with. Iveson joined the service in March, 1886, but his conduct had been most unsatisfactory, as at different times he was cautioned and fined for being asleep on duty, general negligence, unsatisfactory condition of accounts, and general inattention to duty. He appealed against the dismissal, and the Commissioners inquired into the case, with the result that they confirmed the action of the officer who dismissed him.

Mr. BRUCE SMITH, in answer to Mr. Molesworth, said he was not aware that at present much distress existed among the thrifty portion of the industrial population in consequence of the failure of certain institutions which had been trading as banks of deposit. The measure dealing with the subject would be introduced as soon as the course of business would permit.

Mr. BRUNKER, in answer to Mr. Willis for Mr. Neild, said an application was made by the Randwick Borough Council about three months since for the dedication of two reserves as public parks. The application was still under consideration, but he must point out that Randwick was one of the most favoured suburbs in the matter of recreation and other reserves, as, besides the Racecourse Reserve of 202 acres, there were within the boundaries of the borough no less than 24 reserves, of an aggregate area of 104a. 2r. 38¼p., 13 of which were under the control of the Borough Council, and seven of the remainder vested in Messrs. Charles Moore and others, as trustees.

Mr. GOULD, in answer to Mr. O'Sullivan, said a person named Roger Henry Jamieson, who was tried at the Criminal Court, at Darlinghurst, on October 6, 1890, charged under two counts, with shooting at with intent to murder, and with shooting at with intent to do grievous bodily harm, on both of which he was found not guilty, on the grounds of temporary insanity, was at present detained in Parramatta Gaol during the pleasure of his Excellency, in pursuance of the provisions of section 2 of Act 45 Vic. No. 16. Under the report of the medical adviser to the Government he was unable to recommend the discharge of this prisoner at the present time.

Sir HENRY PARKES, in answer to Mr. O'Sullivan, said the buildings at Rookwood, known as the Reformatory, cost £18,643 1s 9d, and the maintenance of the buildings since they were taken over from the contractors had cost £3049 0s 1d up to July 31 last. He had at different times endeavoured to explain why these buildings had never been put to any use. He would remind the honorable member and the House that several Governments had existed in succession since these buildings were erected, and that no one of these Governments had attempted to put the buildings to any use. The reason for that was very obvious; they were unsuited for a reformatory; they were unsuited by reason of their locality for a benevolent asylum, because, from his point of view, to put persons on the verge of the grave in a place where they would have no outlook except on the graves of those already gone before them would be cruel in the extreme; and they were unsuited for most other purposes on account of their locality and distance from Sydney. At the present time, however, there was some negotiation on hand to make them available for the purpose of technical education.

Sir HENRY PARKES, in answer to Mr. Walker, said the establishment of an institution on the model of the Labour Bureau of the United States had come partly under consideration; but if the Government did take any steps in that direction he thought the institution would assume larger dimensions than that of a mere bureau.

Mr. BRUCE SMITH, in answer to Mr. Hutchison, who asked whether in view of the fact that the Chief Commissioner for Railways, Mr. Eddy, was absent through ill-health on full pay, would he extend the same justice to all railway employees when overtaken by sickness, said that cases could only be dealt with on their individual merits; he would not lay down any general principle.

Mr. BRUCE SMITH, in answer to Mr. Davis, said he believed there were some men working under the Railway Commissioners at Darling Island at 6s per day, and he believed they were employed in receiving iron rails from wharf labourers, but he was not aware of the wages which the wharf labourers obtained.

Sir HENRY PARKES, in reply to Mr. Kelly, said the salary of the Visiting Magistrate to Lord Howe Island was £300 per annum. He was supposed to make three visits annually, but he received no allowance for travelling expenses. The visits were formerly made in the schooner Mary Ogilvie, but they were now made in the Government steamer Ajax. The Mary Ogilvie was a very old schooner, of 68 tons, too uncertain in her movements (her voyages being often very long), and she was altogether an unsuitable vessel for the purpose. The cost of each trip made by the Government steamer was £100 per trip. The exigencies of the island necessitated the appointment of a visiting magistrate. The special constable and forest ranger lately appointed were not sufficient to regulate all matters to the satisfactory working of the island.

THE ADVERSE DIVISION.

Mr. CRICK, in an interjectory question, asked the Premier—Will you answer a question without notice? Are you going to resign? (Laughter).

Sir HENRY PARKES: I could not answer that question without first consulting the hon. member for West Macquarie. (Laughter.)

JAMBEROO TO THE SOUTH COAST LINE RAILWAY.

Mr. VAUGHN moved,—"That there be laid upon the table of this House, copies of all papers, letters, minutes, and other documents relating to, or in connection with, the survey and report to the Minister for Works, on the proposed railway from Jamberoo to the Illawarra and South Coast line."

The motion was agreed to.

SUPERVISOR OF WOOL AT DARLING HARBOUR.

Mr. HOUGHTON moved,—"That there be laid upon the table of this House copies of all correspondence, papers, and other documents having reference to all recommendations for, and appointment of, inspector or supervisor of wool delivered from Darling Harbour railway station to the different wool warehouses."

The motion was agreed to.

MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL.

Mr. TONKIN asked the Minister for Mines when it was his intention to bring in a bill dealing with mining on private property, seeing that the Minister objected to a private member bringing in the bill.

Mr. SYDNEY SMITH said it was only right that a question of that kind should be given notice of, as it was a matter of great importance.

WENTWORTH ELECTORATE SUBDIVISION BILL.

Mr. CANN moved the first reading of the Wentworth Electorate Subdivision Bill.

The motion was agreed to, and the bill read the first time, the second reading being made an order of the day for September 8.

BANKRUPTCY AMENDMENT BILL.

Mr. TONKIN said that if a Victorian firm with a branch in this colony went insolvent, and the creditors in this colony proved their debts and paid the fees for proving, they were unable to participate in the dividends paid in the estate, nor were they able to get back the fees paid for proving. He wished to know whether some provision could be made to provide against this injustice.

Mr. GOULD said it was quite impossible for any Minister on the spur of the moment to say whether the Government was going to make provision for an amendment of the law in any one direction. He would consider the matter. He might also remind the hon. gentleman that last night he tabled a bill to amend the Bankruptcy Act. He would be glad to consider any amendment the hon. member would frame if it would make the bill more complete.

PETITION.

Mr. WANT presented a petition from the Yongaleatha Marble, Flag, and Flux Company, Limited, asking leave to introduce a bill to empower the company to construct a tramway from their flux quarries situate in the parish of Gardiner's Creek, county of Moolwingia.

The petition was received.

PAPERS.

Mr. BRUCE SMITH laid on the table a summary of the general abstract of bank liabilities and assets for the quarter ended June 30, 1891; a return showing the amount of inwards and outwards goods traffic between Guyra, Glen Innes, and Inverell, for the past five years.

It was ordered that the documents be printed.

BANKERS' BOOKS BILL.

Mr. SPEAKER informed the House that a message had been received from the Legislative Council, forwarding a bill to amend the law of evidence in respect to bankers' books, and asking the concurrence of the Assembly to the same.

Mr. GOULD moved that the bill be read the first time.

The motion was agreed to, the bill read a first time, and the second reading was made an order of the day for Wednesday next.

CROWN LANDS ACT AMENDMENT BILL.

Mr. SPEAKER informed the House that a message had been received from the Legislative Council stating that the Crown Lands Act Amendment Bill had been agreed to with amendments.

Mr. BRUNKER moved that the consideration of the Legislative Council's amendments stand an order of the day for Wednesday next.

The motion was agreed to.

THE PUBLIC INSTRUCTION ACT AMENDMENT BILL.

Mr. MELVILLE asked the Minister for Education whether he would allow the bill of which he had given notice to repeal certain sections of the Public Instruction Act to be introduced. The motion had been objected to day after day since the opening of the session by members of the Ministry.

Mr. CARRUTHERS said he personally had not objected to the motion being taken as a formal one, and even if he had done so he disputed the right of any hon. member to ask him for his reason for so doing. (Hear, hear.)

REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE BILL, No. 2.—RESUMPTION OF DEBATE IN COMMITTEE.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to further consider the Representation of the People Bill in detail.

Clause 14, "Elector's right, how issued."

Sir HENRY PARKES moved to further amend the clause by striking out the word "such" in line 20 with a view to the insertion of the word "any." He intended to move a further amendment to make the line read "the registrar of any division of such district."

Mr. WALKER said he had an amendment to propose in line 19. At present voters could be enrolled without applying in person. There were a number of cases—

Sir HENRY PARKES said he thought he could satisfy the hon. member. He understood that the hon. gentleman wanted to enable persons who could not conveniently apply in person to apply by post. That seemed so reasonable that he would have special provision made for it in a new clause.

The amendment, omitting the word "such" in line 20, was agreed to, and the further amendment by the insertion of the words "of such district" after the word "division" in the same line, was also agreed to.

Mr. KELLY said there was no provision whatever in the bill for a man who could not read or write. As there was a considerable portion of the population unable to write their names he thought this was a matter which could not be overlooked.

Sir HENRY PARKES said he had already given his assurance that he would make provision for persons who could not read or write. But the provision would have to be made after the bill was through committee. Any debate on the subject at present would mean lost time.

Mr. KELLY said he saw an opportunity for the amendment in line 23, which might save the Colonial Secretary the trouble of drafting a new clause. He proposed, as an amendment, the insertion after the word "name" in line 23 the words "or fix some distinguishing mark in the presence of a witness."

Mr. WISE, in answer to an interjection, explained that when he said a man who could not read or write should not be allowed to vote, he was referring to the present bill, and spoke strictly in connection with registration.

Mr. KELLY said he had understood Mr. Wise to say he would not allow any man to vote who could not read or write. The hon. member would be very conspicuous by his absence in Parliament after next election if he would not allow the people in South Sydney to vote who could not read or write. He suggested that it would cover any difficulty if his amendment read "provided always that every such person who cannot write may make his mark in the presence of the registrar or other person."

Mr. WALKER said he saw no use in the words—"By his answers to the questions put to him, as specified in the next following section, establish the qualification claimed by him, and shall, in the presence of the said registrar, sign his name in a book to be kept for the purpose, and also, severally, in the body and the butt of the elector's right to be issued to him, and pay to the said registrar the sum of sixpence." He thought they should not pledge themselves to the questions in the following clause, as the House, when they came to be considered, might not approve of them. He proposed as an amendment the omission of these words, with a view to the insertion of the words "have his name on the electoral roll."

Mr. TONKIN said he objected very strongly to the omission of the words proposed to be omitted by Mr. Walker. The words were necessary in order to guard against fraud.

Mr. MURPHY said he agreed with the latter part of Mr. Walker's amendment, but with the former part of it he entirely disagreed. He considered it absolutely necessary to retain in the bill provision for the putting of questions to persons applying for an elector's right; but if Mr. Walker's amendment, carrying with it the omission of the words "who shall, by his answers to questions put to him, establish the qualification claimed by him," were adopted, then the registrars would have no option but to issue an elector's right to anybody and everybody who applied for one. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. LEVIEN said that if Mr. Walker's amendment were carried, then the 15th clause, specifying the questions to be put before issuing an elector's right, would be swept away. Apart from that he considered the amendment unnecessary, particularly as the Colonial Secretary had promised to make provision for the issuing of an elector's right to qualified electors who could neither read nor write. One hon. member had objected to the 15th clause because it contained the question "Are you at present receiving relief as an inmate of any eleemosynary or charitable institution?" Such an objection was unfair, and the gentleman who had advanced it had evidently forgotten that the question was preceded by a sentence providing that the putting of the question was left to the discretion of the registrar. No man who understood his work would put that question unless there was reasonable ground for asking it. He considered it right and proper that necessary questions should be put by the registrar to those who applied for an elector's right, and therefore trusted Mr. Walker would withdraw his amendment.

Mr. G. D. CLARK said that he certainly thought the amendment was of too sweeping a character. It dealt with two distinct principles—(1) the putting of questions by the registrar, and (2) the payment of a registration fee by the elector. To the latter he objected, and he therefore wished to know from the Premier whether by voting against Mr. Walker's amendment he would lose his opportunity of voting against the payment of a registration fee.

Sir HENRY PARKES said he took it for granted that the committee would not yield to the expunging of the words providing that certain questions should be put to applicants for an elector's right, but at the same time he was bound to say that the rejection of Mr. Walker's amendment would involve the retention of the payment of a registration fee. If it were desired to strike out the provision for payment of a registration fee and at the same time retain the provision for the putting of questions, the sense of the House ought to be taken on the two provisions separately, but this could not be done by voting on Mr. Walker's amendment in its present form. He sincerely trusted that the committee would not assent to anything that would tend to give a loose character to the system of self-registration. He desired, and he was sure the committee desired, to preserve the electoral roll free from blemish, and to make it truly representative of the honesty and integrity of this country. (Cheers.) The questions contained in the 15th clause were necessary to this end. He felt sure that men whose minds were free from evil intention would not object to answering the questions specified. (Cheers.)

Mr. WALKER, with the consent of the committee, withdrew his original amendment, and moved the omission of the words "by his answers to the questions put to him, as specified in the next following section, establish the qualification claimed by him, and shall in the presence of the said registrar sign his name." By putting his amendment in this form the sense of the committee could be taken separately on the matter of "questions," and on the matter of "payment of a registration fee." Every citizen in New South Wales was entitled to a vote, and the State should see that he got it. The State should know who were citizens and who were not. There was no need to ask questions.

Sir HENRY PARKES said every citizen was entitled to a vote, but provision must be taken to see that votes were not obtained by fraud.

Mr. TRAILL said that the clause only related to the electors' roll after the first collection had been made. The committee ought first to know in what manner the roll was to be collected.

Mr. LANGWELL thought it necessary that questions should be asked before an elector's right was issued.

The amendment was negatived on the voices.

Mr. KELLY moved that there be inserted after the word name "or affix some mark in the presence of a witness." He urged that because a person could not write he should not be deprived of a vote.

Sir HENRY PARKES said that he did not know that the omission existed in the bill. He intended to provide for the matter in a distinct clause. In the body of the bill he wished to provide for the people in their normal condition, but would make the best possible provision to meet the case.

Mr. KELLY (who was met with cries of "Withdraw") said that he hoped his amendment would be carried, as it would save the Premier the trouble of drafting a new clause.

Mr. GORMLY said that after the assurance of the Colonial Secretary, it seemed to him that what was required would be much better secured by a separate clause than by the amendment before the House.

Mr. WILLIS said the House ought to require something more than a promise before they allowed the clause to go. If they made the amendments as they went on they could insert every safeguard. The question before the House was altogether too important to be glided over. It was right and proper that men who could not read or write should be considered as well as those who could; and if the amendment was forced to a division he should support it.

Mr. DOWEL regretted that after the assurance of the Premier the amendment was not withdrawn. It appeared to him that a deliberate attempt was being made by certain hon. members to defeat the objects and intentions of the bill—(hear, hear)—to eliminate the vital principles, and leave the measure a useless one. The 14th clause was a most important one, and to destroy it would be to destroy all that was valuable in the bill.

Mr. STEVENSON said the amendment did not meet the case of those who could not read or write, and if adopted it would open the door to personation, and it would destroy the value of the clause.

Mr. J. D. FITZGERALD appealed to Mr. Kelly to withdraw. It was evident the House would negative the amendment, and if the hon. member went to a division, and the amendment was negatived, the subject matter could not be re-introduced.

Sir HENRY PARKES said it was the usual practice for hon. members to accept the assurance of the Premier. He could not see how the hon. member could suffer by withdrawing his amendment, but he did see that some little inconvenience would arise if he persisted in this course. He again expressed the hope that the hon. member would withdraw and accept his assurance that what he aimed at should be provided for.

Mr. KELLY said he would accept the assurance of the Premier that he would make provision for the matter. He asked leave to withdraw his amendment.

The amendment was withdrawn.

Mr. TRAILL moved to omit from line 25 the words "and pay to the said registrar the sum of sixpence."

The amendment was agreed to on division by 63 votes to 20.

Mr. TRAILL said that unless they substituted the word "district" for "division" in line 28 the whole of the work of last night would be rendered nugatory. He moved to strike out "division" and insert "district."

Mr. REID said that the effect of the division of last night was to provide that an elector's right should be good in the electorate without regard to the particular division, and there was no doubt that the amendment would have to be made. The division of last night had been misunderstood; it was simply with reference to the act of voting on polling-day.

Mr. COTTON opposed the amendment, on the ground that by the contingent notice of motion there was the fullest liberty to the holder of an elector's right to use it in any portion of New South Wales.

The amendment was agreed to on the voices, and the clause as amended was passed.

Clause 15, "Questions before issuing elector's right."

Mr. CANN moved to insert after the word registrar in the first line of the clause the words "whose place of business shall be boldly indicated, and whose hours for registration shall be from 12 noon to 8 p.m., except on Saturday, when his hours shall be from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and."

Sir HENRY PARKES said he would point out to the hon. member how inconvenient it would be to insert such words. He was quite in sympathy with the propositions. He had shown no disposition to shut out anybody. He wished to extend every legitimate right possible to all classes of electors, and he would see that what the hon. member wanted should be carried out.

Mr. CANN withdrew the amendment.

Sir HENRY PARKES moved the amendment of sub-section 7 of the clause by the omission of the words "eleemosynary or."

Mr. J. D. FITZGERALD asked what were the reasons for denying the franchise to people in charitable institutions. He thought the sub-section should be struck out altogether.

Mr. COTTON also opposed the sub-section, and said it was absurd to deprive old men who were the victims of misfortune, old age, or accident, of the rights of citizenship because they were in charitable institutions.

Mr. FITZGERALD moved that the sub-section be struck out. He took particular exception to line 45, by which the registrar might insult certain persons "if he thought fit."

The amendment omitting sub-section 7 was agreed to, and the clause as amended was agreed to.

Clause 16, "Provisions for the issue of transferred electors' rights."

Mr. TRAILL said that as the result of amendments in previous clauses, clause 16 was useless; but he thought it could be made a serviceable clause by omitting the word "division." The clause would then deal with transfer of rights from one district to another instead of from one division of a district to another.

Sir HENRY PARKES said he thought it better to postpone the clause.

Mr. REID, previous to the postponement of the clause, pointed out that there was a strange discrepancy between the punishments contemplated for false answers in the 15th and the 16th clauses. In the 15th clause a false answer was made a perjury, for which the punishment was seven years' penal servitude, whereas clause 16 for the same offence provided a punishment of six months.

The clause was postponed.

Clause 17, "Provision for issue of substituted right when original is lost or defaced."

Mr. REID moved amendments in the way of substituting "district" for "division," consequential upon alterations made in clause 16.

The motions were agreed to.

Mr. TRAILL moved that the sentence "and by the production to such registrar of the butt of such lost, torn, or defaced right," be altered to "and by the production by such registrar, &c."

Mr. DARNLEY moved that the sentence be altered to read "or by the production by such registrar, &c."

Mr. REID thought that the amendment should be adopted in the interest of the man who had lost his right.

The amendment was agreed to.

On the motion of Mr. TRAILL, the word "to" was altered to the word "by," the clause being made to read "or by the production by such registrar."

Mr. DANAHEY proposed that after the word "right" there be inserted "if still in existence, in possession of the registrar."

The amendment was negatived on the voices.

Mr. REID proposed that the words "and shall pay to such registrar the sum of sixpence" be struck out.

The amendment was agreed to.

Mr. G. D. CLARK moved the omission of the words "in such division," occurring in sub-section 3.

The amendment was agreed to, and the clause as amended was adopted.

Clause 18, "Questions to be put to applicants for substituted right."

Mr. WISE moved the insertion of the words "provided that this last question shall not be put if the butt has been lost or destroyed," after question 3.

The amendment was agreed to.

Mr. LEVIEN moved an amendment providing that the penalty for making a false answer to any of the questions put to an applicant for substituted right should be a fine not exceeding £50, or imprisonment for any period not exceeding six calendar months.

Mr. MOLESWORTH said that this was legislating in favour of the rich and against the poor. There should be no fine at all. A rich man could easily draw a cheque for the amount of the fine.

Mr. G. D. CLARK said that any person committing a crime of this character should not be allowed to get off by paying a fine.

Sir HENRY PARKES said he thought imprisonment should apply to all offenders.

Mr. REID pointed out that the presiding magistrate could reduce the imprisonment down to one hour if the circumstances warranted it.

Mr. LEVIEN withdrew his amendment.

Clause 19, "If, in any case, the registrar, after having compared the name appearing on the elector's right so delivered up with the name to be signed by such applicant as aforesaid in the said book, elector's right, or butt, shall be of opinion that they are not in the same handwriting in each case, he shall not issue the substituted elector's right applied for, unless a stipendiary or police magistrate, upon complaint of the applicant and proof by the applicant that he is entitled to the issue of such right, shall, after a like comparison of the respective handwritings, direct the registrar to issue such right, which, upon such direction, shall be issued by him accordingly."

Mr. HAYNES suggested the introduction into the clause of justices of the peace as well as police magistrates.

Mr. REID proposed as an amendment the insertion of the words "or justice of the peace" after the word "magistrate."

Mr. WALKER asked what was proposed to be done as regarded that clause with those who could only make their mark.

Sir HENRY PARKES said he had repeatedly pointed out that the Government were anxious to provide for the mass of the people under normal conditions in the body of the bill; and in any case where exceptional treatment was required it should be exceptionally provided for. He was quite willing to consider and make provision for any exceptional case if the hon. gentleman would give him a memorandum of it.

The amendment was agreed to on the voices.

Mr. DARNLEY moved that from the latter part of the clause, "Unless a stipendiary or police magistrate, upon complaint of the applicant, and proof by the applicant that he is entitled to the issue of such right, shall, after a like comparison of the respective handwritings, direct the registrar to issue such right, which, upon such direction, shall be issued by him accordingly," the words "after a like comparison of the respective handwritings," be omitted.

Mr. CRICK said he trusted the amendment would not be agreed to. Since the magistrate was called upon to settle what was practically an appeal against the registrar, the magistrate should certainly examine the grounds upon which the registrar gave his decision.

The amendment was carried on division by 46 votes to 35.

Clause 20 to 25 were postponed.

Clause 26, "Notice of objection may be sent through post."

Mr. TRAILL though that this clause and all the clauses in part 2 should also be postponed until they had the amendments dealing with the collection of the roll.

Mr. WISE said that these clauses only dealt with the revision of the list. However, the list was collected, it would certainly have to be revised. The clauses which had been postponed could not now be dealt with, because there were blank dates to be filled up.

Mr. GORMLY was afraid that the committee was drifting into hopeless confusion.

Mr. CARRUTHERS said that no matter how the postponed clauses were dealt with, the present one would be necessary. The clause simply provided that certain objections should be sent through the post.

Mr. VAUGHN thought that the clause was unnecessary, and moved that it be omitted. He pointed out that by means of a letter not being properly delivered a man might be disfranchised.

Mr. WISE said that the clause was necessary to get rid of fictitious names on the list. In many of the courts there was provision that notices should be sent by post, and no complaint was made that they were not delivered. If the clause was struck out what would be put in its place? If a letter did not reach a voter it was *prima facie* evidence that the person did not exist, or that he was keeping out of sight in order not to answer objections against him.

Mr. GORMLY said that the committee were asked to deal with objections, but they did not know what the objections were. The clauses dealing with the objections had been postponed.

Mr. CRICK thought that if a man was a bona-fide resident of the district a notice by post would certainly reach him.

Mr. WALKER suggested that all clauses dealing with this subject of electoral rights should be postponed, and that they should proceed with part 3, which stood upon its own footing.

Mr. EDDEN said he could not see any reason for postponing this clause because they had arrived at a different phase of the bill.

Mr. TRAILL supported the postponement of the remaining clauses of part 2, and the dealing with part 3, which was an altogether new department.

Mr. WALKER moved an amendment to eliminate the registration fee not exceeding 2d, imposed by the clause upon letters containing objections sent through the post.

Mr. CARRUTHERS pointed out that the fee, which was never to exceed 2d, was only half the ordinary cost of registration.

Mr. TRAILL contended that there should be no charge for registration to persons who desired to forward letters containing objections. The letter should be registered in order that the delivery might be certified, but the registration should be free.

Mr. CRICK complained that the hon. member, Mr. Traill, continually obstructed the work of the committee by taking trivial objections in formal clauses.

Mr. WALKER pointed out that as the Government had reduced the fee for the registration of letters containing notices under the bill, they should remove the registration fee altogether.

Mr. H. M'KINNON said he thought the registration fee should be retained.

The amendment was negatived on division by 54 votes to 14.

Clause 27, "List of names objected to, to be made out by registrar and copy sent to clerk of revision court."

The clause was agreed to with some verbal amendments.

Clause 28, "Registrar to be bound by answers to questions, but may object to applicant."

The clause was agreed to.

Clause 29, "Arrangements of lists and rolls in alphabetical order."

The clause was agreed to.

Clause 30. Revision courts, when to be held.

Mr. CARRUTHERS moved that subsections 2 and 3 be altered to read: (2) The revision of the general list for every division shall, in the year 1892, take place pursuant to the provisions herein contained, and in every year thereafter during the month of September. (3) The revision of the supplementary list for every division, after the year 1892, shall take place during the month of March.

The amendments were carried, and the clause as amended agreed to.

Clause 31, "Courts to revise lists;" clause 32, "Court may summon persons and take evidence;" clause 33, "Costs in cases of frivolous claims or objections;" clause 34, "Revision Courts to retain on lists all names of electors whose disqualification is not satisfactorily established;" clause 35, "Names omitted from list may be inserted by Revision Court;" clause 36, "Provision when name expunged;" clause 37, "Court may order clerk to give notice of objection to persons on list, and adjourn the question relating to such names;" and clause 38, "Mode of certifying lists," were agreed to as read.

Clause 39, "Certified lists to be delivered to the registrar, &c."

Mr. CARRUTHERS moved that the clause be altered to read:—The list so signed and certified shall be forthwith delivered to the registrar, who shall forthwith cause the names thereon to be copied and printed on a roll, to be called the general roll, or the supplementary roll, as the case may be, and arranged in alphabetical order of the surnames in the form contained in, and with the several particulars specified in schedule G hereto; and shall prefix to every name in such roll a number, beginning at the first name with number one, and continuing in regular arithmetical series to the last name thereon; and shall cause a sufficient number of copies of such roll to be printed; and shall in every year after the year 1892, on or before the 20th day of October in the case of the general roll, and of the supplementary roll on or before the 20th day of April, sign and transmit the said roll to the returning officer of the district; and shall also furnish to him from time to time so many copies thereof as are required; and shall transmit one copy to the person in charge of each post-office within the division, who shall cause the same to be displayed in some conspicuous position within or without such post-office, and shall furnish copies to any person requiring them on the payment of the prescribed price."

The clause as amended was agreed to.

Clause 40, "Electoral rolls;" clause 41, "Electoral rolls, general rolls, supplementary rolls;" clause 42, "Lists of documents not to be invalidated;" and clause 43, "When no revision made, Governor to appoint day for revision," were agreed to.

Clause 44, "Times for making out general lists," and clause 45, "Renewed rights," were postponed.

Clause 46, "Lists of deaths to be forwarded quarterly to the electoral registrars," was agreed to.

Mr. CARRUTHERS moved that progress be reported, which was agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. BRUCE SMITH moved,—"That the House do now adjourn."

The motion was agreed to, and the House at 10 minutes to 12 o'clock, adjourned until the usual hour on Tuesday next.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1.

Mr. Willis to move,—That leave be given to bring in a bill to amend the Masters' and Servants' Act of 1867.

Mr. Dickens to move,—That leave be given to bring in a bill to amend the Diseases in Sheep Acts Amendment Act of 1888.

Mr. Want to move,—That leave be given to bring in a bill to authorise the "Youngaleatha Marble, Flag, and Flux Company," Limited, and their assigns, to construct and maintain a tramway from their flux quarries and properties, in the parish of Gairdner's Creek, county of Mootwingie, in the colony of New South Wales; and to use horse, steam, or other motive power upon the said tramway; and to carry fuel and timber, and also all marble, flagging, and fluxing material, and also all plant or material necessary for the development or working or the quarries, properties, and tramways to and from their said flux quarries and properties, in the parish of Gairdner's Creek aforesaid, to a point at Broken Hill, in the colony aforesaid, connecting with the tramway system of the Broken Hill mines.

NEWS BY THE MAIL.

NOTES FROM VARIOUS SOURCES.

Mr. Anthony H. Hawkins, the accepted Liberal candidate for South Bucks, made his first appearance before the electorate at Wycombe on Monday evening, July 20. A large and enthusiastic assembly was presided over by Lord Carrington, who in his opening speech affirmed that he had come back from New South Wales a better Liberal than ever, and that was because for five years he had lived in the most liberally-minded community that the world probably had ever seen. In Australia they had universal suffrage, triennial Parliaments, no State Church, free education. (Cheers.) On Sundays all the museums were open and all the public-houses were shut. (Cheers.) The transfer and sale of land was easy and cheap, and titles could be registered for a very small sum. The result of that was that small plots of land were available and obtainable by the artisan classes. The eight-hour movement, although it was not law in Australia was the universal custom—every man worked for eight hours, and the lowest wage that every unskilled labourer had had was 8s a day. (Cheers.) Though wages were high, they might be told that living was high also, but in New South Wales that was not the fact; for, though house-rent was dear—perhaps 40 per cent dearer than in this country, yet clothes and the necessaries of life could not possibly be put at more than 10 or 15 per cent. more than they were in England, and in addition to that, meat, which was a great staple commodity of the whole district, was sold from 2d to 4d per lb. And what was the result of all this? They had the finest, most independent and go-ahead lot of Englishmen—excepting at High Wycombe—(laughter and cheers)—it had ever been his lot to see. Well, the independence of these Englishmen was not confined to them, or to the Scotch; it was also universal amongst the Irish who had settled down in that part of the world. (Cheers.) They heard a great deal about the Irish in this country, and a great deal of abuse, and statements that they were untrustworthy; but he ventured to think that there was not a Prime Minister in the whole of the great broad confederation which was reigned over by her Majesty the Queen—there was not a single statesman or Prime Minister—and there were many who were well able and would be sitting in the Cabinet if they were in England—who would hesitate to give Home Rule to Ireland. (Loud cheers).

The grand jury has indicted Mr. Hennessy, the news editor of the *New York News*, for publishing details of the recent executions at New York in Sing Sing prison. Mr. Hennessy was admitted to bail in 500 dollars. The publication of the mere statement that the executions had taken place is permitted by law. This is to be made a test case, and the editors of several newspapers have expressed their willingness to submit to proceedings against them with the object of testing the validity of the law, in the hope of securing its repeal.

The new method of killing criminals by electricity is causing a philological controversy in America. It is held that a new word must be invented to describe it. "Electrocution" is suggested, and has been widely adopted, with the verb "electrocute." We might, however, with equal grace, speak of "gallowscution." One scholar suggests "electrothanate," and another "electrothanize," and a third contends that "electrothanate" might be conveniently clipped and made into "electrothnate." This would give us, we are told, "a perfectly legitimate derivation from two primary roots—both Greek—a reasonable degree of euphony and brevity."

Referring to Lord Stanley of Alderley's question regarding Mr. Calderon's picture, "The Renunciation of St. Elizabeth," Lord Salisbury, speaking in the House of Lords on July 17, said: The only idea he had been able to form of the picture was from a woodcut in the pages of *Punch*, where it was called "Zoe showing her back to the members of the County Council." He was wholly unable to enter upon Lord Stanley's course of reasoning until he laid down some canon as to the course an artist should pursue in dealing with the question of clothes and no clothes. (Laughter.) He had observed that artists took a different view on that subject from the majority of mankind, and that matters which they held to be wholly innocuous would, if translated into ordinary life, attract the attention of the police. (Loud laughter.) Nor was that confined to subjects of ordinary life. As far as his experience went, even in the representation of sacred subjects, he had noticed that the desire to exhibit a knowledge of the human form had overcome the desire to clothe saintly persons with a sufficient amount of costume. (Laughter.) He referred to the Maddalena of Guercino at Naples, and to the Magdalen of Correggio at Paris. Neither of these two would answer to the view of clothing that was entertained at the latter end of the nineteenth century—(a laugh)—but he had never heard of any suggestion of profanity on the part of either of those two artists, and these pictures were shown in places where the Roman Catholic faith prevailed. Therefore, he was unable to say, even if he had the power, that he would interfere with the Chantrey trustees on this occasion, because he failed to see his noble friend's canon of art. But there was one topic of consolation which he would suggest to the mind of his noble friend. He had not been to the gallery in which the Chantrey pictures were exhibited, but some friends of his had been, and they assured him that it was a place of great seclusion—(laughter)—suited to the exhibition of works of this character. In fact, when his friends went on a Saturday afternoon—a perfectly free day—there was not a soul in the place. (Laughter.) If that was the fact, he asked if any better disposition of the picture could have been made? (Renewed laughter.) If it had been sold to a private owner it would have been included in the collection in his gallery, where it would be seen by all kinds of persons, including maidservants and others, daily. (Laughter.) But the place where it was now to be seen was reserved for the study of those practising art, and who were superior to the prejudices which invaded the mind of his noble friend, and where, at all events, it would be deprived of the power either of injuring public morality or of offending the religious feelings of those to whom his noble friend referred. (Hear.) He wholly disbelieved that the artist had the slightest idea or intention of offending any religious susceptibilities.

If Lord Salisbury's amusing speech on Mr. Calderon's "St. Elizabeth" closes the controversy, nobody (says the *Pall Mall Gazette*) need complain. The fact is that modern Catholics are very apt to overrate the delicacy of their mediæval predecessors in the faith. The Duke of Norfolk and the Catholic Union should read an article contributed to the *Revue des Deux Mondes* by M. Barine, summarised in the current number of the *Review of Reviews*. From it they will learn how St. Francis of Assisi acted on a certain critical occasion in his life just in the manner imputed to St. Elizabeth. Accused of giving away goods which were not his own, and adjured to restore to his father what belonged to him, the saint stripped himself naked in public, and handed his clothes to his father. Yet no one disputes the sanctity of St. Francis or the perfect innocence of his symbolical action, however little it may accord with the refinement of the present day. What was permissible for St. Francis before a crowd was not so outrageous for St. Elizabeth in the presence of two or three stern elders of either sex.

Mdlle. Sarmisa Bilcesco, the Roumanian lady barrister who lately took the degree of Doctor of Law at Paris with a view to opening a profession to women in her own country, has just been admitted to practice in Bucharest.

The House of Lords, on July 21, gave judgment in the appeal case of Smith v. Charles Baker and Sons. A very important question affecting the responsibility of employers for injury sustained by a workman was involved. The appellant, Smith, was employed by the respondents, a firm of railway contractors, in rock cutting in the Halifax high-level cutting. During these operations a large stone fell upon him, the accident being brought about by other workmen employed in other operations. On proceedings being taken in the county court the judge entered judgment for £100. This being appealed against, the late Baron Huddleston and Mr. Justice Wills dismissed the appeal, with leave to carry the case to the Court of Appeal. The Court of Appeal directed judgment for the defendants. Against this judgment Smith appealed to the House of Lords. Their Lordships reversed the judgment of the Court of Appeal, and restored the judgment of the County Court Judge.

Of all the picturesque remarks with which Huluhulu Umteto and his Gaza colleague have enriched us during their visit (says the *Pall Mall Gazette*) we like best the senior envoy's reflections on the Aldershot gymnasium. Huluhulu there watched men swinging on the trapeze and rings, and "held his mouth with astonishment." At last his struggling emotions found utterance: "Then it *is* true," exclaimed the dusky explorer, "that the monkeys come to England to be taught before they go about wild!" There is no foundation for the calumny that the real occasion of Huluhulu's remark was his visit to the House of Commons.

Mr. O. E. Tate, Mr. Edison's private secretary, sailed recently for Europe to transact business in connection with the improved model phonograph that Colonel Gouraud recently brought to Europe. It is understood that within a few weeks the machine will be placed on the market in all countries in the world, Mr. Edison being now thoroughly satisfied that the apparatus is as perfect as it can be made with the knowledge of the subject that he possesses. Mr. Edison is still experimenting with the kinetograph, and promises that an experimental apparatus shall be presented to one or two of the leading scientific societies during the coming winter. Most of the "magician's" time is now occupied in experiments at Ogden (N.J.), where he has erected, in an extensive magnetic ore district, special appliances for separating the ore from the silicate matrices. Some hundreds of tons of ore have been thus treated, and the crushed refuse is to be sent down to New York and sold for making mortar, in lieu of sea-sand. There are already some hundreds of men employed at Ogden, and there is every hope that a new and profitable industry will be inaugurated within a few weeks.

Calculations based on the best statistics go to show that the Catholic population of the United States ought to be 26,000,000. But the actual number of Catholics scarcely exceeds 10,000,000. According to Herr Cahensley, who pleads for more German Catholic Bishops, the causes of the great deficiency are—lack of protection to emigrants, an inadequate number of priests, the pecuniary sacrifices exacted of the faithful, the Public schools, the insufficiency of Catholic societies for mutual aid, and the want of representatives of different nationalities on the episcopate.

At the *Punch* dinner held on Saturday, July 18, at the Ship Hotel, Greenwich, in celebration of the jubilee, opportunity was taken to present to Mr. Burnand on behalf of the proprietors a handsome silver cigar box, bearing an inscription commemorating his editorship at the time of the jubilee of the paper.

Lord Carrington, in company with Lord Stafford, was announced to start for the Cape on the 25th July, in the Scot, with the intention of visiting Durban, Pretoria, and the Kimberley Gold-fields, returning to London on September 15. The *Daily Chronicle* says: "Lord Carrington's proposed pleasure trip to South Africa is sure to attract considerable attention in Anglo-colonial circles, particularly when it is cabled to Australia. His lordship sails with his friend Lord Stafford in the Scot on the 25th of this month, and expects, before he returns to London in September, to have seen a good deal of the country that has so mysteriously and so magnetically attracted Lord Randolph Churchill. Since his return from Sydney, Lord Carrington, to the great discomfiture of the red-tapists in Downing-street, has taken up the role of the 'colonists' friend.' He holds, rightly enough, that the only way to treat Australians, Canadians, or South Africans, if we wish them to remain loyal subjects of the Empire, is to make no difference whatever between them and their British fellow-subjects. A colonial Minister of the Crown or a colonial Judge visiting this country should have the full benefit of his rank and title."

A private letter from Paris announces that M. Gounod is seriously ill. He has lain on a bed of sickness at St. Cloud (where Mdme. Gounod has a country house inherited from her father the pianist Zimmerman) for some weeks, and so critical has his condition become that the physicians have ordered complete rest and quiet as the only chance of saving his life. He is suffering from heart disease, and this in a man of 73 is a justifiable cause for alarm.

Mr. H. T. Matthews, Q.C., presided recently over a meeting at Barnet at which a purse containing over £140 was presented to Mr. C. Webb, chief clerk of the Barnet branch of the London and County Bank. The circumstances which led to the presentation are peculiar. Last year, Mr. Webb, while returning by steamer from Holland, was severely injured owing to a heavy sea striking the vessel, and causing her to lurch suddenly. Mr. Webb had upon him at the time a railway passengers' assurance ticket, issued by the Railway Passengers' Company, and as the injury laid him up for some months he claimed compensation. The company declined to recognise the claim on the ground that the ticket only covered injury owing to "accident to the train or boat," and they contended that there had been no accident to the boat in this instance. The matter went to arbitration, and the company's view of the case was upheld. The presentation was made with a view of assisting to defray the expenses of the proceedings, and several speakers strongly expressed the opinion that the public ought to be made aware that such tickets as that referred to do not cover injury, however severe, unless it be due to accident to the "train or boat."

A story of great heroism in endeavouring to rescue a man from a burning mine has been received from Marquette, Michigan. A fire broke out in two shafts of the Republic Iron Mine there, and Mr. Peter Pascoe (the son of the superintendent), James Dower, and three other men descended in order to discover the extent of the conflagration. After some time Mr. Pascoe's companions were drawn up in an unconscious state. Dower, however, soon recovered, and made two gallant attempts to save the unfortunate man who remained in the mine. The first time he was accompanied by four men, and after fruitless attempts to discover Mr. Pascoe's whereabouts the whole party were drawn to the surface unconscious. When sufficiently revived Dower again went down alone, and this time met his death; for when, after three hours, he did not return, a search party descended, and found his lifeless body and that of the man whom he had so heroically tried to save.

Some interesting details have been published as to the wearing away of the Niagara Gorge that occasions the gradual recession of the Falls, which in the course of ages may cease to exist. Since 1842 exact measurements have determined that the backward movement in the case of the Canadian Fall goes on at the rate of from three to five feet per year. The Falls were at one time seven miles from their present position, and it is believed that the scooping out of the intervening gorge has been the work of ten thousand years. Sir Charles Lyell calculated the recession of the American Fall at one foot a year, and an American gentleman, Mr. Maclay, estimated that the carving out of the seven-mile ravine must have occupied 55,440 years.

According to the London correspondent of the *Manchester Courier* Mrs. Jameson has for some weeks past been in the heart of Africa carefully making inquiries as to the accuracy of the horrible details given of the cannibal story. She has visited her husband's grave in the African jungle, and she has personally interviewed some of the chiefs and several of the warriors and carriers with whom Mr. Jameson was brought into contact. She will shortly return to England, when she will make public her reply to Mr. Stanley. The correspondent learns, on very good authority, that it will cause a decided sensation, and will clear away much of the mist that now surrounds the story of the doings of the ill-fated Rear-guard while waiting on the banks of the Aruwhimi.

"It is amusing, but not very pleasant," writes a correspondent from a German watering-place, "to hear what the Germans say about the baccarat scandal, in which they appear to have taken the deepest interest. A German lady, not otherwise unintelligent, asked me the other day whether it was true that the English people had decided not to have the Prince for their future King? 'Well, but,' said she and her friends in rejoinder to my replies, 'he did cheat, didn't he, and why did he not give himself up with his friend, Oberst Cumming?' When I assure them that they are altogether mistaken, they smile pityingly at my patriotic ignorance. They know better, they say; they have seen in the papers how the Prince was the real culprit." Not an unnatural result, it seems to us, of the exaggerated abuse of the Prince in the press.

Lace-making is quite a modern industry in Japan, having been apparently introduced into the country as late as 10 or 12 years ago, but in that time it has made wonderful progress. This is not wonderful, when it is remembered how the Japanese excel in delicate work, requiring dexterity, and how successful they had previously been with embroidery. Japanese lace has hitherto been mainly consumed at home, but recently a Tokyo firm has been very successful in selling specimens of its productions in England, France and Belgium, and it is confidently anticipated that a large export business may in time be developed. The number of women now employed by this firm is 170, and the directors are said to intend a considerable increase. As labour is cheap in Japan, and the people have a natural aptitude for such work, there seems no reason why a big trade should not be built up.

In France a man on entering into the bonds of matrimony renders himself legally responsible, not only for the support of his wife, but for that of her parents, in case they should become destitute, and the same obligation is incurred by the wife in regard to the father and mother of her husband. When this enactment was inscribed in the Code the practice of divorce did not form part of French law, and this fact has given rise recently to a couple of very curious suits. A husband who was divorced some time ago was much surprised to receive a summons from his ex-mother-in-law to pay the usual instalment of the alimony which he had allowed her during his married life. Of course, the young man argued that as the law had rid him of one encumbrance in the shape of a wife, equity would scarcely force him to support a still greater in the guise of a mother-in-law. The Paris Court, however, informed the defendant that, equity or no equity, the Code was unmistakable, and that he would have to pay the money. He appealed very wisely to the Court of Cassation, which invalidated the finding of the lower tribunal.

According to an article in the *Pall Mall Gazette*, "Whalebacks" are the American ships of the future.

DEPUTATIONS.

Messrs. Walker, Melville, and Edden, Ms.L.A., Mr. Estel (Mayor of Plattsburg), and other gentlemen waited as a deputation upon the Minister for Lands yesterday, with a request that he would set apart an area of land at Plattsburg as a recreation reserve. In response to questions asked by Mr. Brunker, it was stated that the area which the deputation desired to have reserved had been valued at £27 10s per acre, and was 19 acres in extent.

Mr. BRUNKER said he would make an inquiry into the matter.

WEST MAITLAND COURTHOUSE.

A deputation of residents of West Maitland, introduced by Mr. J. Gillies, M.L.A., and consisting of Messrs. R. Scobie, J. Bowes, and J. S. Hart, Ms.L.A., and Mr. R. A. Young (Mayor of West Maitland), waited upon the Minister for Justice yesterday to ask that the Government should erect a courthouse, for which money was voted some time ago, on the ground, that the Government at present held, instead of having to resume other land for the purpose.

Mr. YOUNG stated that a few days ago a public meeting was held in West Maitland, at which it was decided to urge the Government to erect the new courthouse on the site at present held for the purpose. If it were thought the land was not large enough, the property adjoining it could be purchased at a reasonable price. The present site was at the corner of High and Semple streets, and a building worthy of the town could be erected on it. They did not apprehend any annoyance to the court officials from the noise of the traffic in the streets.

Mr. SCOBIE considered that the present site was the most convenient one for the building to be erected upon, as the three main entrances to the town led to it.

Mr. GOULD, in reply, said that shortly after he took office there were recommendations made to repair the old building. He did not sanction the work, but took steps to ascertain whether a new and more commodious courthouse could be erected, and he had a sum of money placed on the Estimates for the work. Since then he had visited Maitland, and had inspected the old courthouse, and also the site at present held for the work. Inquiries were made as to the cost of the land, and the cost of the site advocated was £3600, which he thought too much. A site in Elgin-street was thought to be more suitable, as it was nearer the railway station, and there was no noise. He had had plans prepared for a courthouse to be erected in Elgin-street, but representations were made to him, and he had stayed further proceedings. More land would be required for the site in High-street, and they would have to await further reports on the matter. He would promise that the matter would be pushed on with all possible speed.

INCREASE OF CANCER.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—A letter on the above appears in to-day's issue. It may throw some light on the subject to know that in the bush it is not uncommon to milk cows suffering from the disease. In one case a man who died of cancer in the stomach told me before his death that for months he milked a cancerous cow and drank the milk warm from the udder. Butchers also will probably continue in country towns to sell such meat until imprisonment is substituted for the present nominal fines. The late experiments in France and Germany are almost a demonstration that this fearful scourge is contagious. I am, &c., 50.

"VARIETY IS THE SPICE OF LIFE."—Readers of the Echo will see that NEW FEATURES are being constantly introduced. Its columns contain letterpress to suit all classes and denominations of the community, no efforts being spared to render the Echo the MOST POPULAR, RELIABLE, and READABLE EVENING PAPER in New South Wales. The Echo, one penny.—[ADVT.]

THE WINTER DRINK—Rose's Lime Juice Ginger Cordial Non-alcoholic. Innes and Co., 14 Castlereagh-st.—[ADVT.]

LETTERS RELATING TO SWEEPS.

We have been requested by the Postmaster-General to reprint the speech which he made at the Postal and Telegraphic Conference in relation to the motion moved by the Hon. J. Gavan Duffy,—"That, in the opinion of this conference, it is advisable that the system of dealing with letters relating to sweeps should be uniform throughout Australasia."

The Hon. D. O'CONNOR said: To promote morality among mankind is a very noble object, and I believe it would tend largely to that if we could altogether prevent gambling in these colonies, and if it were unknown elsewhere humanity would be the better for it. But what about carrying that out? And will the resolution proposed by my honourable friend Mr. Duffy, and which seems to receive the approval of my hon. colleagues, in any way tend to attain that noble object? I unhesitatingly say no! And Mr. Duffy's own resolution is in sad contrast to the action of the Victorian Government, which provides so many facilities, especially in regard to railway conveyances tending to the encouragement of this gambling propensity. It is a matter of fact that on one day every year at least there is proclaimed a public holiday to celebrate in that colony a carnival that does not belong to Victoria alone, but to Australasia, when tens of thousands of people are induced—and great inducements are offered them by the Government of that colony—to come to Melbourne to attend the great races and spend their money, a very large portion of it at Flemington. Let us look things straight in the face and call things by their right names; and if there is any sham or hypocrisy, then there is a case to ask this conference to discourage gambling. In Melbourne it is a very rare thing to find any less than 100,000 people at their November meeting every year, and there are four days out of every seven in the same week given over to the great meeting, besides the numerous other meetings that take place at other times of the year. For instance, last week, at the Autumn Meeting there were the Australian Cup and the Newmarket Handicap. Now, this is in the colony of Victoria, and that colony—the Government of it—may be said to have entered into partnership with the men connected with the racecourse, with the men who are called blacklegs, but whom I call commercial speculators in a business. It is transparent hypocrisy. I will give my honorable friend some facts. First of all, supposing to-morrow you restrict the sweeps; would that restrict gambling? Why, in 1883 they passed an Act in Victoria that gave the Postmaster-General almost unlimited power, and gave men in an inferior position in the Post Office the right to overhaul letters and find out the transactions of other people. But has that lessened gambling? At the present moment there is more gambling and more gamblers in Victoria than in the whole of Australasia put together. Why, they are known here as silver kings. To-morrow, I undertake to say, if the Victorian Government found itself in financial difficulties, and had to raise a loan, and appeal to the Thompson family and others that surround them to help them out of debt, those prosperous speculators could do it. Whilst they have taken out from the newspapers columns of advertisements regarding sweeps and consultations, yet we still find in the leading papers of Australasia—the *Argus*, *Age*, *Sydney Morning Herald*, *Daily Telegraph*, *News*, &c.—advertisements under the hand and seal of some of the great officers of Victoria offering all kinds of facilities to people to take them to Flemington. Let us look these things honestly in the face. Has gambling decreased in Victoria since you passed that Act? Unquestionably not. Look how unjust it is for a democratic community to propose to do this. Wealthy men can go to Flemington and Randwick, as they do, where you will find represented the merchant princes of the colony, Judges of the Supreme Court, leaders of the bar, and leaders of many honourable occupations, including even my honourable friend Mr. Duffy, who likes to put down his pound in the hope of seeing it bring £100 back to him. Wealthy men can go to the racecourse openly, and take their 100 to 5 or 1000 to 50, according to their means; there is no attempt on the part of the Parliament of Victoria to restrict them from doing that; and why should a man, because an accident of fortune compels his residence to be on the Murray, or the Tweed, or the backwoods of Gippsland or New Zealand, who cannot avail himself of the opportunity to enjoy the luxury of going out in a magnificent train to Flemington, not have the same privilege? Why are these people not to be permitted to bet their £1 because they cannot go to Flemington or Randwick? Why, they have more claim, for they contribute something to the State. They post a letter, and have to get one in return, which has to be stamped; whereas the wealthy gambler gives nothing to the State. The metallicians do their betting at Flemington and Randwick without returning any revenue to the State. The thousands of the populace are the large contributors. It is not the wealthy swells who live at St. Kilda or Potts Point that maintain the public revenue, but the large mass of the people. Why should they be prevented from betting a pound in the only way they can? The only way they can do so is by utilising the post, and to say that to stop them doing so would reform morals and prevent crime, by discouraging gambling, is a shoddy argument, and will not stand a moment's investigation. If you want to show your sincerity, move a resolution for an Act to make it illegal to gamble. (Mr. Duffy: "It is now.") Well, what effect has it? Does any policeman in Victoria walk out and interfere with you when you gamble? Does he say, "Your name, sir?" because you are a gambler? Do they not see people taking the odds every day? (On paper only, I admit.) Would it not be taking away the only means we have of getting a large revenue, and making people pay something for the luxury? I go to the races myself, and can afford to bet a pound or a couple of pounds, and like to do it, and I do it openly. On the racecourse you meet barristers, members of the various learned professions, merchants, Judges, and other members of the community. One of the most enterprising men we have had on the turf here was a Judge who kept racehorses. It is one of the qualifications of the Governors of the colonies that they are to be men fond of horseracing; for a man not fond of it to aspire to the Governorship of Victoria would send a thrill of horror through the colony. Essential qualifications for a Governor are that he shall be a man who shall have independent means, and shall enter into and encourage the sporting amusements of the people, and therefore one who has a partiality for seeing a race. What is the good of our initiating here to-day a thing that can have no practical effect, and that absolutely involves an injustice, inasmuch as, if you could stop it, you would prevent the poor man from betting his 10s; whereas there is no hindrance to the rich man openly betting his thousands or tens of thousands. I am not speaking theoretically. If you want to stop this, let there be a penal enactment passed that any man who gambles or who attempts to gamble shall be punished, and what a thrill of horror that would send among the commercial community engaged in mining, sharebroking, land-buying, forming companies—for that is gambling. Men spend their means in seeking for minerals in the bowels of the earth, in developing mines; that is speculating, that is gambling. I have been myself six and a half years contributing to a mine in Victoria, at Tarnagulla, and have contributed £1000. I have never got back a farthing. (Mr. Duffy: "And never will.") They want to introduce a bill in Victoria to prevent money going over from New South Wales to develop your mineral resources. As regards sweeps, where is the difference between them and open gambling? Wealthy men go to Randwick or Flemington to bet; even in the pious colony of South Australia, I believe, money is shelled out freely. I do not believe they know anything about gambling in New Zealand, or horse-racing either. (Mr. Ward: "We provide you the best horses.") As a matter of fact, New Zealand has been tempting the whole of the colonies for years by breeding the best horses. Queensland has contributed also. Not one of the colonies but has by breeding, paying large sums to buy the best blood stock, tried to produce the fastest horses. For what? To run on the turf for our edification? No; to get the most money they could out of them; and this can only be done by entering into a partnership between themselves and the public. If this causes demoralisation, as hinted by my friend Mr. Duffy, but which I doubt, it cannot be stopped by preventing letters about sweeps going through the Post Office. If there is one colony that gambles largely it is Victoria. You can see whole terraces of houses there owned by bookmakers. The finest I saw there a year ago, when I was at Melbourne, belonged to bookmakers. Let me tell you what took place in our own city. One of our loveliest suburbs is Randwick, and within the last five years it has been almost rebuilt, and many of the new houses put up are owned by professional bookmakers. What is the good of bringing in a bill to stop poor men from speculating a pound while you encourage the wealthy to bet largely? Let us be logical. We cannot have one law for the rich and another for the poor. I could not assent to this; it is opposed to justice and fair play. But if a bill is brought in for the purpose of making gambling in all the colonies illegal I will support it, but I will not support any measure that will not produce any good effect, but only set up an injustice. I repeat again, that because an accident of fortune, by geographical position or want of means, prevents men from witnessing horse-races, they should not be deprived of the opportunity to bet a trifle on a race by means of the post. I therefore cannot support the motion of my honorable friend Mr. Duffy.

MR. BRUNKER'S VALIDATING BILL.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—In thanking you for the publishing of my last letter on the above subject, I would like to take the opportunity of congratulating the Upper House in the stand they have taken in giving the bill that consideration which it should have received in the Lower House. It seem almost incredible that an important measure should pass the Assembly almost without comment, if we except an ex-Minister for Lands (Mr. Copeland); and I am afraid it will warrant the conclusion already arrived at that—take, for instance, the labour party and vote—that class legislation is an evil, and members returned to Parliament with only one idea, which we will call the "Electoral Bill" would sit idly by and help to pass away one of the most sacred rights of the people—that is the conservation of the people rights to the land unhampered by departmental or private influence. It is to be hoped the House of Representatives will take a lesson taught them by a nominee Upper House, and see that the principle of the 1889 Act is carried out in its integrity, and that all matters relating to the public estate shall be adjudicated upon in open court and not in a Ministers' sanctuary as of old.

I am, &c.,

W. B. WILKINSON.

The total number of persons emigrated by the United British Women's Emigration Association and by the societies working with it during the last 12 months was 547, of whom 195 were women sent to Canada.

LADIES! Have your old jewellery modernised to perfection by DAHMS and CO., 149 Pitt-street, [illegible].—[ADVT.]

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—AUGUST 27.

Port Adelaide (s.), 2751 tons, Captain G. R. Huddy, from London June 21, Las Palmas June 29, Adelaide 18th instant, and Melbourne 25th instant. Gibbs, Bright, and Co., agents.

Rio, barquentine, 317 tons, Captain James Dunn, from Napier 10th instant. Bros and Smith, agents.

Tomki (s.), 300 tons, Captain H. Jackson, from Richmond River 25th instant. Passengers—Mrs. M'Cullough, Mrs. Thompson and child, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, Messrs. Chenley, Green, Griffiths, Hutchings, Martingley, M'Lean, and 11 in the steerage. North Coast Steam Navigation Company, Limited, agents.

Oakland (s.), 388 tons, Captain Benjamin Alley, from Richmond River 25th instant. W. T. Yeager, agent.

Maitland (s.), 800 tons, Captain Thomas Hunter, from Newcastle 26th instant. Hunter River New S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

Sydney (s.), 634 tons, Captain W. Anderson, from Newcastle 26th instant. Newcastle S. S. Company, Limited, agents.

Duckenfield (s.), 912 tons, Captain George Tait, from Melbourne 25th instant, bound to Newcastle, in ballast. J. and A. Brown, agents.

Barrier (s.), 306 tons, Captain James W. Lawrance, from Port Pirie 22nd instant. G. S. Yuill, agent.

Gabo (s.), 299 tons, Captain John Pain, from Cooktown, via ports, and Brisbane 18th instant. Passengers—Mrs. Strachan, Mrs. Tierney, Mrs. Bates, Miss Stockham, Miss Markwell, Mrs. Alston, Miss Vassan, Miss Wilson, Messrs. G. Witt, Chandler, Stanley, Callum, Aubrey, Chaney, Birch, Stiller, J. G. Smith, Moulton, Lyons, Craig, Schafer, R. Stiller, Batson, Heaton, Josephson, B. Blyth, Lefevre, and 76 in the steerage. W. Howard Smith and Sons, Limited, agents.

Leura (s.), 1186 tons, Captain J. D. Joy, from Melbourne August 25. Passengers—Mrs. R. Watt, Miss J. Richards, Miss M. Richards, Miss K. Robinson, Miss J. Sharp, Miss E. J. Sillick, Miss B. Bordsen, Rev. Thos. M'Earol, Messrs. R. Watt, J. W. Tillar, W. M'Guin, G. Gilmore, G. Jones, H. Ganott. Through passengers for Northern ports, and 36 in the second cabin. W. Howard Smith and Sons, Limited, agents.

Victorian (s.), 978 tons, Captain T. W. Lockyer, from Adelaide 22, Melbourne 25. Passengers—Mr. and Mrs. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Urquart, Mrs. B. Smith, Mrs. D. Brennan, Mrs. J. Stronach, Miss M. Kilroy, Miss J. Wells, Miss R. Forbes, Miss F. Schultze, Miss M. Schultze, Messrs. A. Bird, W. J. Green, W. H. Dickens, F. Wyatt, F. Keyser, J. C. Cunningham, A. Kuser, Dalwood, J. Cook, R. Norman, F. Child, Captain Whitman, and 35 in the steerage. G. S. Yuill, agent.

Kallatina (s.), 680 tons, Captain H. Creer, from Grafton 26th instant. Passengers—Mrs. Maxwell, Miss Rush, Miss White, Messrs. W. S. Fanning, F. G. Cornelius, W. Bell, E. Conroy, A. J. Smith, T. Anderson, T. J. Brown, A. Bell, C. J. Lowenthal, E. Blyth, J. P. Stirling, S. T. Williams, J. T. Rush, A. Maxwell, A. Watt, E. O'Kelly, W. J. Daniels, J. Lyons, A. Cavil, G. Field, Dr. G. Kottman, Masters Maxwell, Laycock, and 5 in the steerage. North Coast Steam Navigation Company, agents.

Rockton (s.), 1071 tons, Captain C. E. Saunders, from Noumea August 15, Levuka 19, Suva 21, Aneityum 22. Passengers—Miss Swann, Dr. Oliver, Mr. Thomas. Burns, Philp, and Company, Limited, agents.

Burrumbeet (s.), 2420 tons, Captain A. H. Thorpe, from Newcastle. Huddart, Parker, and Co., Limited, agents.

Hauroto (s.), 1988 tons, Captain Neville, from Newcastle. F. W. Jackson, agent.

Prosperity, schooner, 125 tons, Captain Harwood, from Tairua, New Zealand. Kauri Timber Company, agents.

DEPARTURES.—AUGUST 27.

Australien, French mail steamer, for Marseilles, via ports.
Star of England (s.), for London, via ports.
Port Jackson (s.), for London via Newcastle and ports.
General Gordon, 4-masted ship, for San Francisco, via Newcastle.
Norfolk Island, barque, for Portland, Oregon, via Newcastle.
Wairarapa (s.), for Auckland and ports.
Duckenfield (s.), for Newcastle.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—AUGUST 28.

Hauroto (s.), for New Zealand ports, via Wellington; Fitzroy (s.), for Brisbane and Northern ports; Leura (s.), for Brisbane and Northern ports; Gabo (s.), for Melbourne, via Eden; Burrumbeet (s.), for Melbourne; Wellington (s.), for Port Macquarie; Electra (s.), for Manning River; Boomerang (s.), Namoi (s.), for Newcastle; Coonanderry (s.), for Shoalhaven; Gulf of Venice (s.), for Calcutta, via Melbourne, John o' Gaunt, barque, for Newcastle; Woollahra, barque, for San Francisco, via Newcastle; Robert Sudden, 3-masted schooner, for San Francisco, via Newcastle; Adelaide, barquentine, for Thames, via Newcastle; King Cenric, barque, for San Francisco, via Newcastle.

CLEARANCES.—AUGUST 27.

Gulf of Venice (s.), 3922 tons, Captain Thomas M. Linklater, for Calcutta, via Melbourne, in ballast.

King Cenric, barque, 1435 tons, Captain G. Salvesen, for San Francisco, via Newcastle, in ballast.

Port Jackson (s.), 2614 tons, Captain Edward J. de Normanville, for London, via Newcastle, Adelaide, and Melbourne, with part of original cargo from London, for Newcastle.

General Gordon, four-masted ship, 1615 tons, Captain Lewis F. Clayton, for San Francisco, via Newcastle. Passenger—Mrs. Clayton.

Wairarapa (s.), 1786 tons, Captain John M'Intosh, for Auckland and New Zealand ports. Passengers—Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Broad, Rev. J. Rishworth and 2 children, Mrs. A. Stewart, Mrs. M'Cullough, Mrs. Bell and child, Little Sister of the Poor, Misses Van Pelt (2), Miss J. Campbell, Miss Armitage, Miss Birch, Miss Seddon, Miss M'Leod, Messrs. J. Wallace, A. E. Kemsley, J. Muir, T. E. Carter, S. Landell, Reeves, M'Leod, J. A. Patterson, Thomas Conran, Maj. Pitt, Scannell, J. Orr, J. Philips, T. H. Mills, J. R. Cox, P. Kerin, E. B. Alexander, W. Scott, J. J. Burbery, P. Morgan, Rev. W. Birch, Mr. W. M'Millan's 2 children and nurse, and 20 in the steerage.

Australien, French mail steamer, 4000 tons, Captain G. Didier, Lieutenant de V., for Marseilles, via ports. Passengers—For Marseilles: Captain Onfroy de la Rosière, Mr. and Mrs. Waterlow child and nurse, Mrs. Barnett, Miss E. Kowalski, Rev. J. F. Fitzgerald, Mr. A. Bey, Mr. E. Lemonier, Lieutenant Renton, Mr. and Mrs. Nesty, Mrs. L. Maret and 2 children, Count de la Loyere, Miss de la Loyere, Mr. and Mrs. Pinchon, Mr. Pinchon, Colonel Combes, Mr. Pruitet, Miss Peitetan, Mr. and Mrs. Honel, Mr. Despaux, Mr. Billot, Mrs. Maffoni and 2 children, Mr. and Mrs. Mignon and child, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Barthelemy, Mr. Trehion, Mr. and Mrs. Marot, Mr. Beranger, Mrs. Gogny and 2 children, Miss Clostermann, Mr. Elain des Corniers, and 15 in the steerage. For London: Mr. and Mrs. Rich. For Mauritius: Rev. J. Coles, Mrs. J. Coles and child, Mr. A. R. Daies, Mr. and Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. S. M'Murtrie, Miss Heckey. For Albany: Messrs. W. A. Machattie, Heads, C. Smith, J. Farrell, J. Griffiths, P. Reddin. For Melbourne: Dr. Triebmann, Messrs. E. Virand, Max Klein, C. R. Campbell, Machattie. From Melbourne for London: Captain and Mrs. Acland Hood nurse and child, Lord Rossmore, Mr. J. P. Robertson, Mr. Fourcas, Miss Fourcas, Mr. Bremont, Mrs. Bremont, Mr. Fulgoras.

COASTERS OUTWARD.—AUGUST 27.

Coraki (s.), for the Clarence River; Mabel White, for Nambucca River; Alice Templeton, for Manning River; Alert, for Manning River, via Newcastle; Alfred Fanning and Favourite, for Cape Hawke; Agnes Rose, Mary Warner, and William Brooks, for Newcastle.

IMPORTS.—AUGUST 27.

[A special charge is made for consignees' announcements in this column.]

Rio, barquentine, from Napier (N.Z.): 3762 bags potatoes.

Victorian (s.), from Adelaide and Melbourne: 920 bags flour, 1300 bags chaff, 350 boxes elemes, 62 sacks oatmeal, 12 boxes and 12 cases butter, 30 sacks rolled oats, 112 bags onions, 40 packages tea, 2 crates vegetables, 54 cases and 30 casks eggs, 2 casks and 7 bags kernels, 9 pigs and 120 bundles iron, 75 ingots tin, 6 cases and 6 casks earthenware, 32 trunks boots, 100 empty hogsheads, 6 bags spokes, 163 pieces poplar, 4 packages stationery, and sundries.

Gabo (s.), from Queensland ports: 963 bags sugar, 386 bales wool, 1200 bags sugar, 200 hides, 72 bags tin ore, 11 casks tallow, 20 empty tanks, 60 bunches bananas, and a quantity of sundries.

Barrier (s.), from Port Pirie: 500 tons bullion, 200 tons lead, 20 tons flour.

Leura (s.), from Melbourne: 83 bundles galvanised tubes, 120 pockets sugar, 95 cases butter, 24 cases ling, 20 casks soda ash, 7 stones, 8 cases paper, 120 packages sundries, 50 cases arabic, 19 rolls sheet lead, 20 cases vegetable oil, 8 qr-casks whisky, 12 cases ink, a quantity of furniture, a quantity of scenery, 50 cases herrings, 50 cases marmalade, 48 cases pickles, 20 kegs butter, 1 cask port wine, 6 cases books, 10 cases pianos, 2301 bags chaff, 30 bags barley, 1544 bags flour, 298 bags onions. For Brisbane: 25 boxes elemes, 80 sacks oatmeal, 70 bags onions. For Maryborough: 50 packages tea, 5 cases whisky, 15 cases schnapps. And a quantity of cargo for Northern ports.

Rockton (s.), from Fiji: 15,000 bunches bananas, 2296 bags chrome ore, 1339 bags copra, 180 bags peanuts, 280 bags cocoanuts, 53 bags coffee, 15 bags maize, 15 cases pines, and a quantity of sundries.

EXPORTS.—AUGUST 27.

Australien, French mail steamer, for Marseilles via ports. For Marseilles: 1486 bales wool, 61 bales leather, 413 bales skins, 2 bales basils, 330 bags horns, 162 casks tallow, 115 packages hides, 42 packages seeds, and sundries. For Mauritius: 1 bale leather, 12 packages samples. For Mahé: 5 casks and 30 sacks flour. For Albany: 12 bags potatoes, 4 packages seeds.

Port Jackson (s.), for London, via Newcastle and ports: 3881 bags matte, 2576 bars bullion, 24 bags bones.

Wairarapa (s.), for Auckland: 2343 bags bonedust, 200 cases dried fruits, 50 cases whisky, 10 quarter cases rum, 5 cases wine, 28 cases ale, 1600 packages tea, 12 bales paper, 25 casks castor oil, 5 cases galvanised iron, 212 rolls matting, 800 bags rice, 60 packages curios, 19 cases books, 38 cases pianos, 7 cases oil of lemon, 21 pieces shafts, 23 pieces naves, 741 felloes, 10 cases tonic, 6 bales blinds, 41 cases soap, 17 cases whetstones, 11 cases tobacco, 10 cases cotton, 450 cases fruit, 20 bales woolpacks, 104 cases vestas, 20 pigs lead, 4 pieces bluegum, 7 cases hats, 17 cases medicine, 256 cases oil, 66 packages furniture, 43 ingots tin, 18 packages boots, 300 tons coal, 498 bales 178 bags, 21 packages Indian maize, and sundries.

Custom House.—Entered outward: August 27, Hawke's Bay (s.), 4500 tons, Captain J. C. Filgate, for London; Edith May, barquentine, 213 tons, Captain George T. Jose, for Auckland; Warrego (s.), 1552 tons, Captain W. W. Hampton, for Melbourne; Fitzroy (s.), 870 tons, Captain J. F. Butcher, for Rockhampton; via ports; Gabo (s.), 2060 tons, Captain John Pain, for Melbourne; Leura (s.), 1186 tons, Captain J. D. Joy, for Brisbane; Time (s.), 2500 tons, Captain W. T. Liley, for Singapore.

Captain J. W. Lawrence reports that the steamer Barrier left Port Pirie August 22 at 5 p.m., passed Cape Willoughby on the 23rd at 9.15 p.m., and Cape Northumberland on the 24th at 2.10 p.m., Cape Otway on the 25th at 3.25 a.m., and Wilson's Promontory same day at 4.33 p.m., Gabo Island on the 26th at 10.58 a.m., and Montague at 8.15 p.m., Cape St. George on the 27th at 3.27 a.m., and entered Sydney Heads at 12.30 p.m. Experienced heavy S.W. gale and very heavy squalls to Spencer's Gulf; from Cape Willoughby to Northumberland strong to moderate S.W. wind and squally weather and very heavy S.W. sea; thence to Green Cape light variable wind and fine weather; from Green Cape to arrival variable winds and weather, sea smooth.

Captain J. D. Joy reports that the steamer Leura left Melbourne August 25, Williamstown at 5.5 p.m., Port Phillip Heads at 7.30 p.m., Wilson's Promontory at 3.32 a.m., 26th; Gabo at 6.30 p.m., Cape St. George at 6.25 a.m., Sydney Heads at 2.15 p.m., and proceeded to the company's wharf. Had light to moderate winds and cloudy to Cape St. George from thence to Sydney, fresh west to N.W. winds and cloudy rain at times.

The steamer Gulf of Venice will leave the Government Wharf, Pyrmont, this morning and proceed direct to sea. She goes round to Melbourne to embark a cargo of horses for Calcutta.

The Norwegian barque Mimi was yesterday towed from the Jubilee Dock to an anchorage in the stream.

Captain T. W. Lockyer reports that the steamer Victorian left Melbourne at 2 p.m., and rounded Wilson's Promontory at 2.30 a.m. on Wednesday, passed Cape Howe at 5.30 p.m. same day, and entered Sydney Heads at 2 p.m., after a very fine-weather passage. Captain Lockyer stays behind this time to take his former ship the Innamincka.

Captain T. Hunter reports that the steamer Maitland left Newcastle at 8.40 p.m. on the 26th instant, and arrived at the company's Sydney wharf at 4.30 a.m. on the 27th with the following cargo:—52 bales wool, 54 bales hay, 10 bales skins, 31 hides, 153 bags potatoes, 438 bags tin ore, 36 cases eggs, 6 casks wine, 1 horse, 1 bull, 1 cow, 1 calf, 8 pigs, 3 coops poultry, 4000ft. cedar, 30 bags C. flour, 4 boxes and 12 bales tobacco, 20 cases acid, 50 cases fruit, 20 cases currants, 1 sulky, 3 bundles bacon, 15 cases wine, and sundries.

Captain John Pain reports that the steamer Gabo left Cooktown on August 15, Port Douglas on the 19th, Cairns same day; Townsville on the 21st, Flat Top Island (Mackay) same day; Rockhampton on the 23rd; Brisbane on the 25th at 1.30 p.m., passed Cape Moreton at 6 p.m. same day; Smoky Cape at 4.30 p.m. on the 26th, Seal Rocks at midnight, and entered Sydney Heads at 9.20 a.m. on the 27th, arriving at the company's wharf at 10.20 a.m. Experienced strong southerly winds and head sea from Cooktown to Brisbane, and thence to Sydney light southerly airs and fine weather.

Captain H. Jackson reports that the steamer Tomki crossed the Richmond River bar at 2 p.m. on the 25th instant, and arrived in Sydney at 11.40 p.m. on the 26th instant. Experienced southerly winds to Smoky Cape, and from thence northerly and N.W. winds to arrival. Cargo: 30 beech logs, 630 bags and 700 casks sugar, 11 cases honey, 37 cases eggs, 30 kegs butter, 10 hides, 20 pigs, 3 coops poultry, and sundries.

Captain H. Creer reports that the steamer Kallatina crossed the Clarence bar at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, and arrived in Sydney on Thursday at 4 p.m. She brings as cargo 763 bags of maize, 28 bags bones, 6 hogsheads tallow, 50 hogsheads rum, 206 hides, 4 bales skins, 92 cases eggs, 15 coops fowls, 22 dozen melons, 4 tons machinery, 4 horses, 40 pigs, 16 cases fish, and sundries. Experienced northerly winds throughout.

Mr. John Williams yesterday fixed the fine barque Colwyn to load for San Francisco at Newcastle.

The Rio, Captain Dunn, from Napier, arrived yesterday, after an uneventful voyage, and was berthed at the Market Wharf to discharge. The Prosperity, from Tairua sawmills, with a kauri timber cargo, arrived last evening.

THE MAIL STEAMERS.

The Messageries Maritimes steamer Yarra passed Port Said homewards on the 26th.

The Norddeutscher-Lloyd's steamer Neckar left Suez outwards on the morning of the 26th.

The R.M.S. Ormuz arrived at Colombo hence on August 26.

A SYDNEY VESSEL OVERDUE.

In Lloyd's insurance reports received by yesterday's mail, a Sydney-owned vessel, the Carn Tual, an iron barque, was quoted as having gone up to 70 guineas per cent. The Carn Tual loaded at Cardiff for Mauritius.

THE ROCKTON.

The A. U. S. N. Company's island steamer Rockton arrived at the company's last night from her periodical trip to New Caledonia, Fiji, and the New Hebrides, in command of Captain C. E. Saunders. The Rockton cleared Sydney Heads at 8.30 a.m. on the 8th instant, arrived at Noumea at 10.30 p.m. on the 12th, left again at 6 a.m. on the 15th, abreast of Mount Washington at 7 p.m. on the 17th, and arrived at Suva at 0.15 a.m. on the 18th, left Suva at 5 a.m. on the 19th, and arrived at Levuka at 10 a.m., left again at 11 p.m. same date, and arrived at Suva at 4 a.m. on the 20th, cleared Suva Reef 5.30 p.m. same day, and arrived at Aneityum 3.30 p.m. on the 22nd. Transhipped mails, passengers, &c., to s.s. Croydon, and received same; cleared the reef at 10.15 p.m., entered Sydney Heads at 5.30 p.m. on the 27th. Experienced fresh and moderate N.E. and easterly winds to Noumea; from Noumea to Fiji, moderate southerly winds and fine weather; from Fiji to Aneityum, moderate variable winds; from thence to the land, light S.E. and southerly winds, and moderate variable winds to arrival.

THE SOLINGEN.

The German-Australian line steamer Solingen, the next vessel of that line on the expected list, is expected to arrive in Sydney about the 8th proximo. She is to be turned round for Europe at once, and is timed to sail on the 12th for Hamburg, via ports.

THE BOOLDANA.

The British-India Company's steamer Booldana is making a voyage to New Zealand from Calcutta, via Singapore, and is reported to have left the Straits Settlement port on the 16th instant. She calls at Thursday Island. The Booldana is making the same round as the Bhundara made last year.

THE PORT ADELAIDE.

The Anglo-Australasian S. N. Company's Port Adelaide entered port yesterday from London, and proceeded to Messrs. Gibbs, Bright, and Co.'s Wharf to land her cargo. The report of her voyage and particulars of her contents were given in these columns yesterday.

FIJI SHIPPING.

The Northern Star, barque, of Sydney, cleared for Navua, August 17, for Auckland, with 1800 sacks sugar.

The U. S. S. Company's Poherua arrived at Suva, August 19, with coal cargo, and proceeded August 20 for Lancola Bay to discharge, and load sugar for Auckland.

The missionary (seventh day adventists) schooner Pitcairn, from San Francisco was in the Fiji group, August 20, en route to New Zealand, Australian ports, New Guinea, and the Solomon Islands, homewards to California.

The Eastward Ho, schooner, arrived at Suva from the Five Islands, August 14, with 44 labour boys.

The Southern Cross (s.) arrived at Suva from Auckland, August 11, and remains in the group to take up the inter-insular running of the steamer Maori. The Maori returns to Dunedin about the end of August.

The barque Junna, from Calcutta, with 447 coolies arrived at Suva, July 27, landed her passengers, and sailed in ballast for Calcutta, July 31.

ENGLISH SHIPPING.

The Sydney owned ship Scottsfield was to sail for this port from London, August 10; the Torridon, July 31. The Allerton, from Liverpool, was to sail July 25; the Cormorant, for Newcastle, on July 28. In Lund's line, the Woolloomooloo sailed July 30, and the Bungaree was to follow August 20. The Australian Mutual Shipping Company were to despatch the Albuera for Sydney and Newcastle on July 25. Devitt and Moore were to despatch the Hesperus to Sydney, August 25, and the Macquarie a month later. From Hamburg for this port and Newcastle, the Waiwera was to sail July 25, and the Helen Scott, in September. Tyser's line for Melbourne, Sydney, and Brisbane, includes the Star of Victoria, to sail from London July 28, followed by the Celtic King in August, and a new steamer in September. The completion of a third new vessel is expected in time to be despatched before the end of the year. The Anglo-Australasian Steam Navigation Company's Port Victor, for Melbourne and Sydney, was to sail August 5, to be followed by the Port Albert, for Sydney direct August 15. The Norddeutscher-Lloyd announce the s.s. Neckar to sail August 8 for Australian ports.

Sailed for Sydney: Brand (s.), Captain Nielsen, from Hamburg July 21; Wilcannia, from London July 21; Miltiades, July 17, from London; Loch Torridon, July 17, from Glasgow.

The Pass of Balmaha was at Liverpool July 24, loading for Sydney; and the Albuera, Kinclune, Sophocles, Strathdon, Tamar, and Thyatira were at London. The Dordogne (s.) was on the Sydney loading berth at London when the mail left, and the barque Cormorant for Newcastle, New South Wales.

A WHALEBACK STEAMSHIP.

Probably the most remarkable looking merchant steamer that ever entered a British port is the whaleback built vessel the Charles W. Wetmore. Reports of these vessels appearing on the great American lakes were from time to time published, and being so far away, were received cum grano; but now that the steamer has actually crossed the Atlantic to Liverpool with a cargo of 25,000 bushels of wheat, it is time for scepticism to give place to investigation. The ship has the appearance in the water of H.M.S. Polephemus, with the exception that the smoke stack and engine-rooms are in the extreme after part of the vessel. The length overall is 265ft., of which at least four-fifths is carrying capacity. Her depth of hold is 24ft., and the beam 38ft. The C. W. Wetmore has been described as a "whaleback" and a "cigar" ship, of which the former is more applicable when the vessel is floating, and the latter when the structure as a whole is taken, the shape being like a Whitehead torpedo with the top compressed. When loaded the greater part of the "whaleback" is about 9ft. above the level of the water, and is of the shape which the name implies. This portion is the hold of the vessel, which extends from the smoke stack to within 20ft. of the bow. In the latter place is merely a steel turret which covers the retreat of the crew to their sleeping quarters. In the stern of the vessel there are three turrets, one of which contains the smoke stack, one rises above the engine-room, and the third is the companion to the cabin and engine-rooms. Above these turrets is an iron roof, which is enclosed on all sides, the space being used for the officers' quarters, and the upper deck for quarter deck purposes. The vessel has no keel, the bottom bulging downwards from the stem to the stern; no ballast is carried, and there are no watertight bulkheads. There is no cutwater, as is usual with steamers, but the vessel tapers from the centre to the ends. If divided sectionally, the shape of the vessel is almost circular, with the exception, as has been intimated before, that the top has been slightly compressed. As to the C. W. Wetmore's seagoing qualities, it is stated rolling is reduced to a minimum. This is probably to be accounted for by the difficulty of any waves striking the beam by reason of the ship's low setting in the water. The dimensions of the Charles W. Wetmore are as follow: Length O. A., 265ft.; beam amidships, 38ft.; hold, 24ft.; capacity, 3000 tons; gross tonnage, 1399; net registered tonnage, 1075; draught, when fully loaded, 16ft. 6in. There is a compound condensing engine, the cylinders being 26in. and 50in. diameter respectively, and the stroke is 42in. There are two boilers, the steam pressure being 125lb. to the square inch. The full load-line draught is 18ft. There are no masts whatever. One of these extraordinary vessels is to take a full cargo of machinery and plant for a shipyard on Puget Sound, and it is possible that she may make a trip from there to an Australian port and load coal back to the Pacific Coast.

THE SHIPPING FEDERATION—ITS OBJECTS.

Mr. G. A. Laws, general manager of the Shipping Federation, gave interesting evidence on July 17, before the Labour Commission, under the presidency of the Earl of Derby. He said the federation represented 7,000,000 tons of shipping—seven-eighths of the tonnage in the United Kingdom—and employed 200,000 men. Its objects are to uphold liberty of contract, and to resist coercion on the part of the workmen's unions; but it is in no sense designed to reduce wages, or opposed to trades unionism as formerly understood. As a means of lessening the chance of trades disputes, he expressed himself in favour of the publication of official statistics showing the displacement of industries from localities and from the country by reason of strikes, and he also urged the appointment of a Governmental inquiry into disputes between employer and employed.

NAVAL INTELLIGENCE.

The whole of the new cruisers are now at Brisbane, and will arrive at Sydney next Friday—a week to-day. Their intended movements after that are given in another column.

When the English mail left London, July 24, it was rumoured that Captain Kane, C.B., the hero of the Calliope hurricane at Apia, Samoa, is to succeed Captain Powlett in command of the Training Squadron.

Two lieutenants of the Victorian navy were serving in H.M. ships during the late manœuvres. Lieutenant F. J. Colquhoun in the Northampton, and Lieutenant W. Tickell in the Triumph. The uniform of these officers is similar to that of the Royal Navy, but the upper row of gold lace on their sleeves is formed into a diamond-shaped instead of a circular ornament, indicative of executive rank.

MARINE INSURANCE LOSSES.

For the 14 days prior to the departure of the last English mail from London it was estimated that the total losses, collisions, and strandings would result in claims of not less than £500,000. The s.s. Clan Buchanan, which stranded at Perim, came off apparently undamaged after jettisoning about 150 tons of cargo. The s.s. Thorntondale, from Bombay with seed, came off the Dog Rock, Malta, where she had stranded, after throwing overboard 700 tons of cargo; the boat afterwards put into Bizerte Roads, Tunis. The s.s. Circe, 2313 tons gross register, Glasgow to Montreal, has been wrecked at Anticosti; she was valued at £27,000, and insured for the 12 months at 8½ guineas per cent. The Larrinaga Company's s.s. San Albano, from New Orleans to Europe, was reported ashore in a bad position at Horn Island.

THE EXCURSION STEAMERS CHIMBORAZO AND GARONNE.

The Orient liners Chimborazo and Garonne continue to make pleasure cruises to the "Land of the Midnight Sun," a month's trip. The Chimborazo was leaving London on July 25, and the Garonne on August 5. The repairs to the Chimborazo after the grounding off the Norway coast were light, and the vessel suffered no detention in dry dock in consequence.

SHIPPING SALES.

By yesterday's English mail the following sales of shipping are advised:—

The iron barque Tahiti, lying at Liverpool, has been sold to Germans at the sum of £2900. She is 650 tons register, and carries 980 tons dead weight. Was built at Glasgow in 1863, and classed *A1 at Lloyd's. Length, 183.9ft.; breadth, 29.1ft.; depth, 18.7ft.

The iron barque Unicorn, 499 tons register, lying at Leith, has been sold for the sum of £3100. She was built at Stockton in 1863, and classed *A1 at Lloyd's. Length, 163ft.; breadth, 27ft.; depth, 16.2ft.

The American ship Eclipse, 1536 tons register, has been sold to San Francisco for 45,000dol. The Eclipse was built at Bath, Me., in 1878. Dimensions: Length, 221.7ft.; breadth, 40.3ft.; depth, 24.3ft.

The management shares of the ship Earl Granville have been sold at the rate of £3800 for the whole vessel. The Earl Granville is 1193 tons register, and was built at Harvey, N. B., in 1877. Carries 1900 tons deadweight. Length, 188.1ft.; breadth, 37.7ft.; depth, 23.1ft.

The barque Maria Stoneman, 959 tons register, lying at Gothenburg, has been sold to Sweden.

The Austrian brig Rio Grande do Norte has been sold to English owners, and renamed Gordon Bennett.

The iron barque Herschel, 787 tons register, has been sold to Norway. She was built at Birkenhead in 1857.

TELEGRAPHIC SHIPPING NEWS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.)

Brisbane.—Arrivals: August 27, Barcoo (s.), from Cooktown; Burwah (s.), from Rockhampton; Rodondo (s.), from Sydney. Departure: Hainaker, barque, for Newcastle. The Cintra (s.) left Townsville, for Brisbane. The Arawatta (s.) arrived at Cairns from Townsville. R.M.S. Duranda arrived at Flattop, from London. The Quiraing (s.) left Keppel Bay for North.

Yamba.—Arrival: August 27, steamers Karuah and City of Grafton. Departure: August 27, steamer Union, for Richmond River.

Newcastle.—Arrivals: August 27, Oamaru, schooner, from Kaipara; Eliza Firth, schooner, from Tairua Island; City, barque, from Noumea; Titus (s.), from Melbourne; Namoi (s.), Boomerang (s.), Saxonia (s.), Alice (s.), Loch Trool, ship, Gowanbank, ship, from Sydney. Departures: August 27, Age (s.), for Melbourne; Hope, schooner, for Clarence River, Joker, schooner, Bound to Win, schooner, for Port Stephens; Itata, barque, for San Francisco, with 1425 tons coal; Samaria, ship, with 1973 tons coal, Suffolk (s.), for Batavia, with 3196 tons coal; Hauroto (s.), Burrumbeet (s.), Saxonia (s.), Alice (s.), Boomerang (s.), Namoi (s.), for Sydney; Augusta (s.), for Lake Macquarie.

Gabo Island.—Passed: Steamer Warrego, at 5.20, north.

Melbourne.—Arrivals: August 27, R.M.S. Oruba, from London; Braunschweig (s.), from Bremen; Tarawera (s.), from New Zealand; Coogee (s.), from Launceston; Bhundara (s.), from Sydney; Konoowarra (s.), from Adelaide. Departures: August 27, Bulimba (s.), for Calcutta; Pateena (s.), for Launceston; Flora (s.), for Circular Head; Bellinger (s.), for Strahan; Beeswing (s.), for Port Kembla; Taglaferro (s.), Easby (s.), Franklin (s.), for Newcastle.

Adelaide.—Arrivals: August 27, Adelaide (s.), from Sydney; Swift, schooner, from Devonport.

(FROM THE BOARD AT THE TELEGRAPH OFFICE.)

Tweed Heads.—Passed: August 27, Rodondo (s.), at 11.15 a.m. north.

Richmond Heads.—Arrival: August 27, Eliza Allen, schooner, at 2.45 p.m. from Sydney, over the crossing.

Clarence Heads.—Arrival: August 27, City of Grafton (s.), at 7.5 a.m.; Karuah (s.), at 6 a.m., both from Sydney. Departure: August 27, Union (s.), at noon for Ballina.

Nambucca Heads.—Departures: August 27, Scout (s.), at 9.40 a.m., for Macleay River; Wellington (s.), at 1.45 p.m., for Sydney.

Smoky Cape.—Passed: August 27, Aramac (s.), at 11 a.m.; Wyrallah (s.), at 11.5 a.m.; Tweed (s.), at 12.50 p.m.; all north.

Trial Bay.—Departure: August 27, Kembla (s.), after landing cattle, left the bay at 3 p.m., bound south.

Macleay Heads.—Departure: August 27, Barrabool (s.), at 1.50 p.m.; Electra (s.), 2.40 p.m., both for Sydney.

Camden Haven Heads.—Departure: August 27, Rock Lily, ketch, at 1 p.m., for Sydney.

Manning River.—Departures: August 27, Rosedale (s.) and Coraki (s.), at 2.30 p.m., for Sydney.

Seal Rocks.—Passed: August 27, Macleay (s.), at 2 p.m., south.

Port Stephens.—Departure: August 27, Invincible (s.), at 3 p.m., for Newcastle. Passed: August 27, Macleay (s.), at 5 p.m., south.

Barrenjoey.—Arrival: August 27, Sarah Beattie, schooner, at 6 p.m., put in windbound.

Wollongong.—Arrivals: August 26, Tamar (s.), Daphne, Enterprise, and Isabella, schooners, from Sydney; August 27, Kameruka (s.), at 2 p.m., from Kiama. Departures: August 27, Lochlee, schooner, at 10.30 a.m., for Sydney; Kanahooka (s.), at 6 p.m., for Sydney.

Kiama.—Arrival: August 26, Crest of the Wave, schooner, at 6 p.m., from Sydney; August 27, Civility (s.), at 7 a.m., from Sydney. Departures: August 26, Tottie, schooner, at 5 p.m., for Jervis Bay; August 27, Civility (s.), at 11 a.m., for Sydney; Kameruka (s.), at noon, for Wollongong.

Crookhaven Heads.—Departures: August 27, Kameruka (s.), at 8.15 a.m.; Coonanderry (s.), at noon, both for Sydney.

Jervis Bay.—Passed: August 27, a ketch at 6.40 a.m., south; Estelle, schooner, at 8.5 a.m., north; Georgine Davis, ketch, at 5 p.m., north.

Ulladulla.—Arrival: August 27, Bega (s.), at 2.15 a.m. from Sydney. Departures: August 27, Bega (s.), at 2.30 a.m. for Tathra; Peterborough (s.), at 4.30 p.m. for Sydney.

Moruya Heads.—Departure: August 27, Echo, ketch, at noon, for Bateman's Bay. Passed: August 27, Bega (s.), at 6.30 a.m. south; Glaucus (s.), at 3 p.m. north.

Eden.—Passed: August 27, Fairy Rock, brig, at 10.10 a.m., north.

Gabo Island.—Passed: August 27, Warrego (s.), at 5.20 p.m., north.

Hobart.—Arrival: August 27, Talune (s.), at 6.10 a.m., from Melbourne.

Circular Head (Tas.).—Departure: August 27, Corinna (s.), at 10 a.m., for Melbourne.

THE MAILS.

THIS DAY.

Melbourne, 4.15 and 7 p.m.
Adelaide, 4 and 7 p.m.
Hobart and Launceston, 4 p.m.
Queensland, 5 p.m.
Western Australia (Monday, via Adelaide).
Eden, 4 p.m.
Wellington and Southern Ports of New Zealand, 4 p.m.
Monte Video, Buenos Ayres, and Rio Janeiro, 4 p.m.
Singapore, Batavia, and Penang, 6 p.m.
Port Macquarie, 6 p.m.
Manning River, 6 p.m.

SATURDAY.

Thursday Island, Port Darwin, and Hongkong, 9 a.m.
Merimbula and Eden, 11 a.m.
Nambucca and Bellinger Rivers, 6 p.m.
Macleay River, 8 p.m.
Clarence River, 8 p.m.

MONDAY.

India and Continent of Europe, overland to Adelaide, and thence per P. and O. Company's steamer Parramatta, 2.30 p.m.
United Kingdom, overland to Adelaide, and thence per P. and O. Company's steamer Parramatta, 3 p.m.
Mauritius, Cape of Good Hope, United Kingdom, and Continent of Europe, overland to Adelaide, and thence per M. M. Company's steamer Australien, 3 p.m.

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ABSTRACT OF SALES BY AUCTION THIS DAY.

RICHARDSON AND WRENCH.—At their Rooms, at 11.30, Houses and Land, Silver Mining Shares, &c.
G. KISS.—At Bazaar, at 11 and 12, Horses, &c.; at 3, Poultry.
W. INGLIS AND SON.—At Bazaar, at 10.30 and 12, Horses, &c.; at Railway Yards, at 12, Calves, Pigs, &c.; at 2, Poultry, &c.; at 2.30, Butter, &c.
G. MAIDEN.—At Darling Harbour, at 11, Beef, Mutton, &c.
H. M'NAMARA.—At Hay-street, at 12, Beef, &c.
HUNTLEY AND TRICKETT.—At their Mart, at 11, Furniture, Overmantels, Albums, Piano, &c.
BARNARD AND CO.—At Kiéta House, 5 Bligh-street, at 11, Furniture, Pianofortes, Glassware, &c.
HARRIS AND ACKMAN.—At their Mart, at 11, Buggies, Waggons, Phaetons, Harness, &c.
FRASER AND CO.—At their Mart, at 11, Earthen, Glassware, China, Fancy Goods, Holloware, &c.
W. BRADLEY AND CO.—At Audley-street, Petersham, at 11, Furniture, Glass, China, E. P. Ware, Piano, &c.
DUNN AND WEBB.—At 194 Devonshire-street, Surry Hills, at 11, Stock of Groceries, Fitting, Horses, &c.; at Systrum-street, off Harris-street, at 2, Coachmaker's Plant.
HILL, CLARK, AND CO.—At their Warehouse, at 9.30, Hides, &c.; at 2.30, Tallow; at Camperdown Yards, at 2.30, Horses.
NEALE AND BEGGS.—At their Yards, at 2, Poultry, Butter, &c.; at Newtown, at 7, Wood, &c.; at Darling Harbour, at 8.30, Wood, &c.
GOLDSBROUGH, MORT, AND CO.—At their Warehouse, at 9.30, Hides, &c.; at 2.30, Tallow.
J. BRIDGE AND CO.—At their Stores, Hides, &c.
BRUNKER AND WOLFE.—At their Stores, at 9.30, Hides, &c.; at 2.30, Tallow.
HARRISON, JONES, AND DEVLIN.—At their Warehouse, at 9.30, Hides, &c.; at 2.30, Tallow; at Wool Brokers'-chambers, at 11.30, Sheepskins.
F. L. BARKER.—At his Stores, at 9.30, Hides, &c.; at 2.30, Tallow.
THE N. Z. LOAN AND MERCANTILE AGENCY CO.—At their Stores, at 9.30, Hides, &c.
H. HAINES.—At Sunnyside, 52 Botany-street, at 11, Furniture, Piano, Glassware, &c.
THE BAILIFF.—At 29 Christy-street, Glebe, at 12, Furniture, &c.
DUFF AND RICHARDS.—At their Rooms, at 11, Ferns, Rock Lilies, Palms, Olive Truncheons, &c.
H. KELLETT.—At 821 George-street, at 11, Carpets, Rugs, Mats, Lounges, Furniture, Fixtures, &c.
H. TENNENT-DONALDSON AND CO.—At Pembroke-terrace, Fowler-street, Camperdown, at 11, Furniture, &c.
S. PROCTER.—At Newtown, at 7, Wood, &c.; at Darling Harbour, at 8.30, Wood, &c.; at Mart, at 12, Pigs, Poultry, &c.; at 4, Butter, &c.
T. PHILLIPS.—At C. Whately's Works, Newtown, at 11, Stock and Plant, Drays, Ironmongery, &c.; at 1, Buggies, &c.; at 34 Hordern-street, Newtown, at 3, Building Materials, &c.
W. BRADLEY AND CO.—At Little Belmore-street, Surry Hills, at 2, Furniture, Sewing Machine, &c.
ELLIS AND CO.—At their Yards, at 1, Calves, Lambs, &c.; at 1.30, Butter, &c.; at 2.30, Poultry, &c.
J. P. LISTER.—At his Rooms, at 11 and 2, Unredeemed Pledges.

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£264 PER ACRE,

and is assessed in the Corporation books at a value of £10 per foot. The erection of fortifications and barracks on the island, the assured permanency and increasing importance of the pearlshell fishery (the present year's catch of which is estimated to yield £90,000), and the opening up of trade in Western New Guinea and the Cape York Peninsula, all of which comes to Thursday Island, points to it as a future great business centre.

Plans and further particulars may be obtained from the Auctioneer, Victoria-parade, Thursday Island, Queensland.

THE GAME OF DRAUGHTS.

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PORT KENNEDY, THURSDAY ISLAND, and ADJACENT ISLANDS.

A splendid panoramic view of Port Kennedy, Thursday Island, and adjacent islands is published in this week's Sydney Mail. Around Thursday Island there centres a great deal of interest. It is one of the chief strategic points of Australia, and holds a most important place in the military calculations of the Empire. It was recently the scene of the rendezvous of the Australian Squadron, now on its way to Sydney. Apart, however, from any military or naval significance, the whole of the surroundings are very picturesque and beautiful, and our illustrations give a very faithful idea of the whole.

PORTRAIT OF LADY GORDON CUMMING.

One pleasing feature in connection with the recent baccarat case, in which the Prince of Wales was mixed up, was the opportunity it afforded for an example of woman's fidelity. At the time of the exposure Sir William Gordon Cumming was engaged to be married to an heiress to a considerable fortune. When the verdict went against him, he wrote offering to release the lady from the engagement; but she remained true to her affianced lover, and very soon after the case in the law courts terminated they were married. A fine portrait of Lady Gordon Cumming appears in this week's Mail.

THE BOMBARDMENT OF IQUIQUE.

Terrible scenes of carnage are reported from Chili, where an insurrectionary war has been going on for some months. On one occasion recently the insurgents bombarded Iquique, and wrought dreadful destruction. The scene after the bombardment is faithfully depicted in our illustration.

THE PEOPLE'S PALACE.

Our illustration gives a view of the south front of the People's Palace, facing Mile End-road, London, as now completed. It is the gift of the Drapers' Company, and has been constructed at a cost of about £15,000.

ILLUSTRATION TO STORY.

The illustrations that have accompanied the delightful story by Thomas Hardy, "A Daughter of the Durbervilles," have all been works of art. This week's illustration is equal to any that have preceded it.

OTHER ILLUSTRATIONS.

There are several illustrations other than those already enumerated in this week's SYDNEY MAIL.

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FRIDAY, AUGUST 28, 1891.

TELEGRAMS received by the Chilian Legations in London and Paris state that at the battle of Quinteros on Tuesday the insurgents, who were between two fires, sustained frightful losses.

PRESIDENT BALMACEDA's losses at Aconcagua are now stated to have been 2500, while the insurgents lost 3000 men.

THE *New York Herald* correspondent states that the insurgents now encircle Valparaiso, and are driving in the outposts of the President's army.

SEVENTY-TWO hours' continuous fighting took place outside Valparaiso, and though the Loyalist troops numbered twice as many as the Congressionalists, the latter were victorious owing to their having superior arms.

PRESIDENT BALMACEDA has dismissed Senor Beelan, the Chilian Consul-General at Washington, as he believes him to be friendly toward the insurgents.

THE German Government has refused to allow arms and provisions to be taken on board the new Chilian cruiser, Presidente Pinto, which put into Kiel.

IT is reported that the Government of the Argentine Republic contemplates increasing the special issue of paper money in connection with the new bank of the Argentine nation to 100,000,000 piastres. The Argentine Budget for 1892 shows an estimated surplus of 3¼ million dollars.

MR. D. P. MACEWAN has presented to the trustees of the National Art Gallery of New South Wales the picture "Mount Etna," by Mr. John Macwhirter, A.R.A., R.S.A., the celebrated Scottish painter.

THE heavy storms recently experienced in England have extended to Ireland.

A BRITISH squadron will visit France in October next.

THE shares of the Bank of South Australia have recovered to £19 10s.

THE engineers employed at the Chatham Dockyard threaten to strike unless their wages are raised to 5s 8d per day, which is the society's minimum.

THE death of General Whichcote is announced.

IN the Legislative Council yesterday the Crown Lands Act Amendment Bill and the Bankers' Books Evidence Bill were read the third time.

IN the Legislative Assembly last night the Wentworth Electorate Subdivision Bill and the Bankers' Books Evidence Bill were read the first time, and the Representation of the People Bill was further considered in committee.

THE Canadian census shows that the population of the Dominion is 4,820,000.

THE *Times* states that the finances of Italy betray unsoundness and maladministration.

THE sealers in British Columbia have petitioned Lord Salisbury against the closing of the Behring Sea to sealers till May next.

MR. H. M. STANLEY entertains grave doubts as to the success of the new French Expedition to Lake Tchad, in Central Africa.

THE Chinese Gambling Commission met for the first time yesterday afternoon. Mr. Abigail was elected vice-president, and it was arranged that the commission should sit three times weekly.

AT a meeting of the City Council yesterday the Mayor announced that the receipts for the recent series of organ recitals amounted to £1180. The recitals were discontinued to enable alterations to be made to the pedal actions, and in the meantime he had given Mr. Wiegand leave of absence for a week.

SHEARING is progressing satisfactorily at Dunlop, Tooralé, Winbar, and Kallara stations, in the Louth district.

OWING to the large number of free labourers employed at the principal sheds, a great number of unionists are travelling along the River Darling unable to obtain work.

AT the Eldorado station, near Louth, enough men have been employed to replace those who refused to sign the agreement.

A VERDICT of death from disease of the heart was returned by the jury at the inquest upon the body of Dr. Rooney, who died suddenly at Lewis Ponds on Tuesday evening.

A BRANCH of the Young Men's Christian Association has been formed at Mittagong.

A FIREMAN named King fell off the engine of the down express train at Goulburn on Wednesday night, and was badly injured.

PILE driving and bridge building is in full swing at the Berry end of the Kiama-Nowra railway, and a large number of men are employed.

THE Orlando and the new cruisers Wallaroo, Katoomba, and Ringarooma arrived at Moreton Bay about 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

AT the Carrathool Police Court William Gannon, sen., was fined £50 and £30 on two charges of sly grog selling.

MR. J. H. YOUNG addressed a large meeting of his constituents at Wingham on Wednesday, and a motion expressing continued confidence in Mr. Young and the Ministry was unanimously carried.

AN important discovery of antimony has been made in the Bay of Islands district, New Zealand.

THE sea serpent reported to have been seen recently is now believed to be an immense rata tree, which has been floating in the sea on the east coast of New Zealand, and which from a distance presented the appearance of a marine monster.

THERE is a continuous rise in wheat and rye in Berlin.

ACCORDING to *Bradstreet's Circular*, the American visible supply of wheat is 23,400,000 bushels.

THE total imports to the Northern Territory for the quarter ended March 31 was £25,105, and the exports were £25,665.

WHEN the roll was called at Kallara station the rouseabouts refused to commence work. They were dismissed, and on the following day more than the requisite number applied for work.

IN the Melbourne County Court yesterday Alex. Middleton, theatrical agent, recovered £100 damages from John F. Sheridan, the well-known comedian, for assault. The proceedings arose out of a quarrel at the Melbourne Theatre Royal on May 23 during a matinée performance.

IN reply to a deputation yesterday Mr. Munro promised to consult his colleagues to see what could be done to bring before Parliament a stringent law for the suppression of the opium traffic in Victoria.

IT will probably take six months to refit the steamer Bancoora.

THE funeral of Mr. C. S. Wilkinson took place yesterday at the Cemetery of the Church of England at Enfield.

AT the Y. M. C. A. Hall last evening a public farewell was accorded to a contingent of seven missionaries who leave for China on Saturday, under the auspices of the China Inland Mission.

MR. JUSTICE HAWKINS, who was reported to be seriously ill, is now improving.

YESTERDAY the last of the bells in connection with the new Post Office clock was raised to its proper position in the belfry.

SEVERAL chests of dynamite and arms have been seized at Sofia and Rustchuk by the Bulgarian authorities. A number of arrests have been made.

A FIRE broke out on the mail steamer Parramatta at Port Melbourne yesterday afternoon, and a lascar storeman, who was attempting to extinghish the outbreak, was suffocated by the fumes. The damage done was trifling.

YESTERDAY afternoon Mrs. Warne, a resident of Bendigo, was run over by a St. Kilda train and killed instantly.

THE Customs receipts yesterday amounted to £5541.

It is not an unreasonable suggestion that, at a time when the community is showing such scrupulous care to keep its Chinese residents free from every speck and taint of the vice of gambling, it should also pay a little attention to its own dealings with this vice. Mr. LAMB did good service by bringing the subject last evening before the Legislative Council, and public opinion is likely to be influenced by the animated and outspoken discussion the matter received. As the case stands at present it is somewhat thus: The community is anxiously sensitive to the faintest rumour of gambling practices being carried on by our Chinese fellow-citizens, and now and then, when we feel in a particularly virtuous mood—when, for instance, society has had its conscience quickened by heavy losses on the races—we are accustomed to give scope and illustration to our righteousness by dragging a number of unhappy Chinamen before a police court on the charge of playing one or other of their national and incomprehensible games. In addition to these spasmodic efforts to free ourselves from the vice of gambling we have appointed a commission to investigate the habits and practices of our local Mongolian residents in this particular. Such zeal for the maintenance of a high standard of immaculate purity amongst our Chinamen is doubtless very laudable, and we do not desire to say a word against it. But assuredly this zeal for the virtue of others binds us under penalty of the reproach of Pharisaism and hypocrisy to take heed, while we are so attentive to the mote in our Pagan brother's eye, that there is no beam of the same material in our own. This is where Mr. LAMB contends that, as a community, we are at present falling sadly short of the fine high standard we so nobly prescribe for the heathen Chinee. Mr. LAMB has lately been putting some questions on this matter to the representatives of the Government in the Legislative Council, and has got together some interesting information. He has elicited from the Attorney-General the admission—we might say the confession—that "the Government was aware that there existed in the city of Sydney a number of gambling-houses where money was illegally taken for sweepstakes and subscriptions to totalisators." Not that the authorities are inactive in the matter. In the past twelve months there have been 112 prosecutions; but still the evil appears to flourish unchecked. It must be assumed that the profits of the trade are so large that the risks of discovery and punishment do not weigh against the gains. Where this is the case in similar matters the course usually taken is to come to the Legislature and ask for larger powers of suppression, the existing ones proving insufficient. This, however, is not what we do in regard to this fashionable vice of gambling. We make a show of repression by maintaining and enforcing utterly inefficient powers and penalties, though we have abundant evidence that they leave the evil undiminished.

This was one bit of information brought out last evening by Mr. LAMB in his indictment of the attitude of the authorities and the Legislature, and the community as a whole, with regard to betting-houses, sweeps, and the consultation system. His next count was directed against the refusal of this colony to co-operate with the other colonies in adopting a general system of dealing with letters relating to sweeps and racing lotteries generally. We have a very good precedent in favour of such a course. Several years ago the evils resulting from this particular form of public gambling became so serious in Victoria that it was determined to strike at the root of the system. The Legislature, recognising the uselessness of occasional prosecutions resulting in the imposition of penalties which form only a trifling percentage upon the gains, determined that at any rate the Post Office should cease to be an accomplice in the business, and empowered the Postmaster-General to detain letters sent to the addresses of the sweep promoters, and to refuse to issue or pay money orders for such purposes. The evidence of Mr. J. GAVAN DUFFY, the Victorian Postmaster-General, was cited as to the evil condition of things in Victoria before these measures were adopted, and as to their efficacy in suppressing this particular form of gambling. In bringing about this result they further produced the unlooked-for effect of inducing some of the leading sweep promoters to transfer their operations to Sydney, which city has become in consequence, according to different members who spoke on the subject last night, "the home of the betting man," and "the Monte Carlo of Australia."

This is an undesirable reputation to acquire, and we do not believe that the public of the colony will be contented to sit down quietly under it, or to consider that we do enough to clear our good name from reproach by the periodical immolation of a batch of Chinamen on the altar of public purity. The feeling of the public will rather be in accordance with that expressed with such warmth and earnestness by the members of the Legislative Council who addressed themselves to the matter. The question as to the moral evil or harmlessness of gambling is quite beside the practical issue. The Legislature has possibly no demand or jurisdiction to legislate in matters of mere morality. It is not the moral evil but the social evil, the fruitful cause of so much dishonesty, social ruin, and crime, which calls for the attention and the stern rigour of the Legislature. At present we labour under the reproach of quietly tolerating evils which in their glaring publicity, their extent, and the mischief they produce, exceed those of any other Australian city. We have to endure the opprobrium of the wholesale gambling, and the more serious opprobrium of the train of crimes of which these practices are the cause and source. It is to little purpose to tell us we cannot make people moral by Act of Parliament. That is not the question. The practical problem is to use to the best effect the powers of the law to suppress evil and illegal practices now impudently carried on in defiance of the law. Neither is it conducive to any useful end to tell us that if this system of consultation betting through the Post Office is suppressed other more dangerous forms of betting will spring up. The evidence of the Victorian experiment is against this contention. Apart from this, irrespectively of its effect in suppressing gambling, it is the moral duty of the State to refuse to allow its agency and machinery to be used for the furtherance of practices which it believes to be evil and declares to be illegal. Finally, we must not be misled from doing our duty in this matter by any fear that we should be discouraging sport. Mr. DANGAR last night, speaking as a friend of sport, strongly denounced these wholesale gambling practices as injurious to society, and as having no influence on sport save to corrupt it. We may agree with some of the speakers in the Council that the matter is of too great importance to be properly left to a private member; but the present state of our politics makes it only possible to bring about reform by some private member taking it in hand. Mr. LAMB has made a good beginning. He has enlisted the sympathies of his fellow-members in the effort he has made. If he can see his way to submit a definite and practical measure, there is little doubt of his receiving assistance in both Houses to carry it into law.

The apprehension which appears to be felt in various parts of Europe as to a failure of the "world's harvest" brings into striking relief the mutual dependence of nations on one another. Armies may be organised, and speculations formed as to the relative strength of Powers for offence or defence, but when the general food supply is threatened all are stricken with a common care. The principal centre of disturbance on the food question is Russia, in certain provinces of which, and over a vast area, the failure of crops has brought the people face to face with famine, while the prospects of an export grain supply from that country have been wholly dispelled. In France and in Germany there has also been a partial failure of crops; in the United Kingdom the yield has been disappointing; and in the provinces of India, from which a large wheat supply has usually been drawn, the people are even threatened with famine. But it is the Russian failure of harvest produce that has been the most actively disturbing element, for in that country not only wheat, which is usually supplied in large quantity to the other nations of Europe, but rye, the staple cereal food of the inhabitants—and which is also largely exported in ordinary circumstances, more particularly to Germany and Austria—appears to have almost entirely failed. The starving Russian peasants, as our latest telegrams tell us, are fighting death on a miserable sustenance of grass and leaves; the Government has prohibited the export of rye, and is making purchases of large quantities of grain in other countries, thereby diminishing the already limited supply and raising prices to famine values; and what was at first alleged to be a strategic movement in accumulating stores of food for contemplated warlike operations—and consequently produced a little war scare—is found to have been a necessity to meet the wants of a starving people. Over twenty provinces the people are threatened with a "frightful famine," and the Russian Government is bending every effort, by relief works on an extensive scale, to save the lives of the people.

What a failure of the wheat crop in Russia means to Europe may be estimated from the fact that, after America, Russia is the greatest wheat-growing country in the world; and as the general food of the people is the humbler grain, the wheat is principally exported to supply the wants of others. The total annual wheat supply of the world is estimated at a little over 2000 millions of bushels, of which Russia has grown as much as 312 millions. The United States produces from 400 to 500 millions annually, of which probably three-fourths are required for home consumption. France with 280 million bushels, Hungary with 136 millions, Italy with 109 millions, Spain with 80 millions, Germany with 96 millions, and other countries with greater or smaller proportionate amounts, after supplying the wants of their own people, can have little aggregate surplus for interchange, if they are not themselves importing; while the United Kingdom, with its 70 or 75 million bushels of annual output, is very dependent. India for some years back, from her annual yield of 200 or 300 millions of bushels, has been helping to feed the people of Europe to some extent; but desolation appears to have stricken also the great wheat-growing districts of North-Western India, and as exports are the first to suffer, the supply from that quarter must be seriously curtailed. As the great granary of Europe, Russia has been always a subject of anxiety to those concerned in the question of food supply; and now, when the failure of the harvest in that country has been so complete, there are, not unnaturally, serious misgivings as to the coming cost of food. Fortunately from America, both the United States and Canada, have come to the relief of Europe, each having been blessed with harvest produce surpassing the averages of many years. In Manitoba and Ontario the year's crops have never been equalled, and Canada will export 35 million bushels; while the production of the United States has exceeded estimates, and it is expected that that country alone will this year have 200 million bushels of wheat for export. The New World has therefore come opportunely to help the Old, and possibly after all the apprehensions of general dearth and high prices may not be realised when the world has had time to collect and redistribute its supplies.

The alarming picture suggested by Dr. CARPENTER, in his statement that the world has at any time only two months' supply of food on hand for its inhabitants, and that "if the Almighty withheld the world's harvest, the human race would be within two months of actual starvation," is one that need not seriously frighten us in the existing state of things. It is true that if agricultural production failed the world over, the result would be inconvenient; but the condition of things that made famine possible in any country in other days has been entirely obviated by the universal spread of the means of intercommunication among the nations. What railways have done in India in making the interior of that country—which was formerly subject to periodical dearth—proof against a disastrous famine, has been done on a more extended scale by steam and electricity the wide world over. In fact, among its other great benefits, the extension of commerce has enrolled the whole world into one great Mutual Life Assurance Association against the perils of starvation; and unless from some catastrophe in the solar centre, interrupting the continuity of the sun's life-giving rays to us, we have no very grave reasons for fearing a general hunger, even though, as Dr. CARPENTER says, we are living from hand to mouth. It would be competent for us, of course, to build great storehouses, and fill them with wheat as JOSEPH did in the days of the PHARAOHS. And perhaps when Socialism attains its zenith we may exhibit that evidence of solicitude for the human family, and build us great public barns—for which we dare say the New South Wales marble would be admirably suited. But for the present, the commercial system, under the much-derided principle of competition, appears to serve our purposes quite as well; and very likely if the Prime Minister of PHARAOH had had railway trucks and steamers' holds and telegraphs to equalise the markets, instead of only caravans and donkey sacks and Bedouin scouts, he would not have taxed his statesmanship in looking fourteen years ahead for his fellaheen, or regarded it as necessary to have always "corn in Egypt." Two months' supply seems very little, but it is a wonderful testimony to the beneficent agency of commerce that such a limited stock is enough for the world's needs. If they starve in Russia or have to put up with grass and leaves, it is only because they are still remote from the highways of the world's traffic; for the two months' supply is like a tank of water with conduits everywhere, which have to be only tapped according to the needs of each, and there is enough for all. It is laudable in a correspondent to make of Dr. CARPENTER's statement a lesson on our dependence upon Divine Providence. It may be that if the great Ruler of all arrested the harvests of the world, the world might be starving in a couple of months. But if He arrested the rotation of the earth it would be much worse, for the seas would sweep the continents of their living inhabitants, and there would be a general smash in a couple of moments. But these things need not necessarily scare us; for the law that keeps the world whirling seems not more stable than the law which sends from the sun a stated quantity of vitalising heat and light to the globe. These may vary in their distribution and their stimulating force in different quarters of the globe, but they are there all the same; and if they do not quicken the crops in India they will in Canada; or if not in the United States they will in Australia, or Russia, or South Africa, or Italy, or the Argentine, or anywhere else, and trade and commerce will do the rest. If any people suffer famine now it is their own fault, or the fault of those who have not brought them closer into the community of nations; and thanks to commerce and commercial competition the world can be very happy now on only two months' supply.

It is perhaps natural that some disappointment should exist, as is shown by letters which have appeared in our columns, that just in the height of the attraction of Mr. WIEGAND's organ recitals they should be suspended. The feeling, however, arises from an imperfect knowledge of the facts, and will probably disappear as these become known. The suspension of the recitals has been thought to be a consequence of Mr. WIEGAND's arrangement to pay a visit to Melbourne. This belief, however, rested on an inversion of the relation of cause and effect. Of course it was never supposed that the Town Hall would always be available for organ performances, or that it had no other purposes to serve. As a fact, the hall will now be engaged for some little time in a way which would prevent it from being applied to holding organ recitals. As a consequence, Mr. WIEGAND takes the opportunity of getting a little rest, and what he does with his holiday is regarded by the City Council as entirely his own business. Then it will be seen that other complaints have been made in our correspondence columns in respect to the management shown in the practical arrangements for the recitals. It is quite likely that mistakes have been made and imperfections shown. The City Council and its staff have had duties of management devolved upon it which they possibly wanted the experience to enable them to properly cope with. Some of the difficulties have arisen from the public in that inconsiderate fashion of publics suddenly rushing the later performances in overwhelming numbers, forgetting that Mr. WIEGAND is a fixture here, and that future opportunities of hearing him will not be wanting. It is only fair to expect that the City Council will be able to utilise the managerial experience it has gained, and take such measures as will prevent occasion of discontent in future.

The late disastrous hurricane in the West Indies—complete details of which are only just coming to hand—may lead us to consider that we have some cause of congratulation in the absence of such violent interruptions to the even monotony of our much-criticised climate. Extremes, both of drought and flood we plead guilty to; but the hurricane, the typhoon, and the tornado, have, so far, refrained from visiting us with such destructive results as periodically occur in the China seas and the West Indies. Occasionally the northern townships of Queensland have been partially razed by tropical storms of unusual violence; but a good deal of the destruction wrought has been due to the comparatively flimsy nature of the buildings, and the extraordinary facilities offered for the tempest to exert its full fury on broad verandahs and houses elevated on piles. Since the use of more substantial building material than weatherboards has come into force, Townsville, which is the principal town in what is called "the hurricane belt," has not suffered like it did once or twice during its earlier days. The worst storm, however, that tropical Australia has been called upon to experience cannot compare with the appalling convulsions of Nature that devastate the coasts of China and the Indies; although a considerable portion of our continent is well within the track of such terrible visitations. Martinique is in about the same latitude north that Cooktown is south, so that our position on the globe has apparently nothing to do with our immunity. The cause will probably be found in the size and formation of the continent. The interior of our great plateau is seldom intruded upon by outside influences. The seasons, as a rule, follow each other in a monotonous and unvarying routine, the main difference being a greater or less rainfall. The north-west monsoon that breaks on the northern coast in a deluge of driving rain, dribbles off into fierce intermittent thunderstorms before it has penetrated two hundred miles inland; and although short, sharp, electrical disturbances constantly occur during the hot summer months, their influences are singularly local and restricted. A torrent of rain will fall in less than half-an-hour on a patch of a few square miles, and create an oasis in the midst of country parched into barrenness by long-sustained drought. In an old, quasi-scientific work published in the early part of this century, an ingenious theory is put forward that the trade-winds owe their origin to the deserts of Sahara and New Holland, the heated air ascending from these rainless and arid expanses causing a vacuum which the outside atmosphere rushes north and south to fill. Since we have repudiated the possession of a desert, we must equally decline the honour of being the birthplace of the trades; even if the theory was consistent with our present knowledge of meteorology; but, amusing as the notion now reads to us, the theorist was unconsciously getting within touch of something more than mere conjecture. The almost atmospheric stagnation that for so large a proportion of the year holds sway over the Australian tableland necessarily assists to maintain the inviolability of our shores from oft-recurring wreck and ruin; and the "dull flat waste" of the interior has saved us and our habitations from being the sport of the winds.

AT Government House last night a new and agreeable departure was made, and private theatricals were given in place of an at home or a ball. The drawing-room was well filled with guests, and was for the time converted into the prettiest of little theatres, with stage at one end, with curtain drop-scene, footlights and all. The actors and audience were on the best of terms, and the efforts of the entertainers met with generous applause. The first piece on the programme was a graceful little fairy tale, "Creatures of Impulse," by W. S. Gilbert. The scene is in Arcadia, and the Strange Old Lady (Lady Mary Villiers) as becomes a denizen of this fabled region, exhibits her power by inflicting some punishment on all those who cross her will. The dashing Sergeant Klooque (Captain Hon. Rupert Leigh) must assume a guise of abject terror, the miser Boomblehardt (Captain Cholmondeley) is forced to go about offering guineas to each one he meets, Lena (Miss Sylvia Darley) must, because she is very coy, request each man she meets to kiss her, and likewise the other characters are forced to act against their inclination. As a result, amusing complications occur when all the characters come together. The malevolent Old Lady relents, however, and removes the spell, bringing to a close a bright little piece well suited to those engaged in it. Lady Margaret Villiers took the part of Martha, landlady of the "Three Pigeons," the Earl of Ancram, Peter (a young farmer) was dressed in quaint garments, the Hon. Arthur George Villiers took the part of Jacques (a villager), and came in for a good share of attention. Lady Beatrice Villiers was Pipette. The costumes in this piece were pretty, and the make-up good. The second piece was a comedy drama, "Little Toddlekins," by Charles Mathews, and this proved very amusing. The chief characters were sustained by Captain Hon. Rupert Leigh and Miss Lesbia Larkin, in whom the audience quickly recognised a member of his Excellency's staff. Mr. Goschen's "Amanthis" was full of funny points. The Ladies Margaret and Mary Villiers acted gracefully as Annie Babicombe and Susan, and the other characters were taken by Captain Cholmondeley and the Earl of Ancram. The theatricals were much appreciated, and the performers as they returned to the drawing-room were greeted with applause. Refreshments were partaken, and a pleasant evening was brought to a close.

THE chief interest in last evening's proceedings in the Legislative Council centred in a debate which had relation to sweeps and consultations. Much indignation was expressed because of the freedom with which the promoters of sweeps and consultations are allowed to carry on their business, and fears were expressed that this city would earn quite as unenviable a reputation as attached to Monte Carlo, and Sydney was ...

be the "home of the gambler and the betting man." To make the picture even more startling, these persons were described as being "nothing more nor less than vagrants, cumberers of the earth, who are living upon the vitals of the people, and are degrading the community." Mr. Dangar contributed his quota to the denunciation of the system which had of recent years attained to such magnitude in this colony. An "Augean stable of corruption festering in our midst" was the designation applied to it by Mr. Dangar. No one had a word to say in favour of what was characterised by one member as "one of the greatest and blackest blots that rest upon this city." It not only prejudicially affected legitimate sport, but it led to the demoralisation of the community, and especially the younger members of it, who, catching the gambling spirit, were led to rob their masters to obtain funds which they might invest in sweeps. Victoria was pointed to as an example of a better state of things, one of its representatives being quoted to prove that it had by legislation purged itself of the promoters of sweeps and consultations. It was contended that the evil was so great that efforts to remedy it should not be made alone by a private member, but it was the duty of the Government to take action, and this proposition met with general endorsement. Amongst other business done by the Council was the passage through their final stages of the Crown Lands Act Amendment Bill and the Bankers' Books Evidence Bill. The Married Women's Property Bill was read the second time and passed through committee.

The critical position in which the Electoral Reform Bill had been left by the previous night's proceedings led to a large attendance at the opening of the Assembly yesterday. Members were naturally curious to know what the Government was going to say or do. The amendment which had been carried destroyed a principle which the Government had expressly declared to be vital to the bill, that is, the separation of the electoral districts into divisions. Consequently the formal business was hurried through without delay, the only interruption coming from Mr. Crick, who jestingly asked whether the Government intended to resign. The Premier answered the query in the same tone, and assured the House that he could not think of resigning until he had consulted the member for West Macquarie. This was all the information which Parliament received, and the promised sensation fizzled out when the Premier calmly went on with the bill as if nothing had happened. Without making any explanation, he swallowed the amendment made on Wednesday, and consented to the registration of voters within their electoral districts. This means that the principle of splitting the electorates up into divisions has been practically abandoned by the Government, although it was previously declared to be vital to the bill. Sir Henry indicated all this by moving an amendment to enable a voter to register his vote in any division of his electoral district. Willingly enough the committee accepted the amendment, though the Opposition cheered satirically, for it was evident that the Government had come down from the high position taken up on Wednesday. Obviously the course was adopted by the Premier in consequence of the adverse vote of the committee, which left him no option. He had either to accept the amendment, and thus sacrifice one of the "vital principles" of the bill, or else to throw the whole thing up altogether. The latter course was certainly inexpedient, and so the Premier, in deciding to go on with the bill, received the general approval of the committee.

The concessions made by the Premier, however, by no means released this unfortunate clause 14 from its difficulties. The section seemed by general consent, to have been chosen by electoral experimenters as a battle-ground upon which to test all the various fads and fancies which they desire to see embodied in the bill. Thus the clause had hardly been five minutes before the committee when amendments had been proposed sufficient to entirely remodel the whole section. Everyone got very much mixed up about the matter. Mr. Kelly came forward on behalf of the illiterate, and strove to add a provision arranging for the signatures of marksmen so that anyone unable to write should make his mark. In vain the Premier explained that he intended to add a new clause to this effect. Mr. Kelly was not satisfied with the assurances of the leader of the Government, and insisted on patching up the bill in his own way. Then Mr. Walker tried to take the whole centre of the clause out, and render it possible for anyone to register without having to answer any questions, or to sign his name, or to comply with any regulations whatsoever. As an advocate of extreme freetrade in votes Mr. Walker received but little support, and though his amendment was negatived on the voices, he consoled himself by remarking that "Truth is always in a minority." This gave Mr. Kelly a chance of pressing on his amendment in favour of the illiterate, and though repeatedly assured that the Premier intended to deal with the matter, he obstinately refused to withdraw. He persisted in his attempt to patch up the clause in an amateur fashion, and it was only at the last moment, when defeat was certain, that he yielded to pressure from all sides of the House and withdrew from his untenable position.

The proposed sixpenny payment for an electoral right next attracted the attention of the committee, and Mr. Traill made a successful effort to obliterate the provision. He moved an amendment for the omission of the words insisting on the payment of the sum of sixpence for each electoral right. Strange to say, the Premier abandoned his usual attitude of complaisance, and though defeat was staring him in the face, insisted on a division over the matter. In consequence, Mr. Traill's amendment was carried by 63 votes to 20, and the clause, after a verbal amendment had been made, was passed in its mutilated state. Things did not improve much when the next clause was reached, for the same rush of amateur amenders took place. The Premier disposed of most of them by promising to make provision elsewhere for the points brought forward. He even promised to re-commit the clause in order to bring it into harmony with the changed state of the measure. The next attempt at reform was made from the labour end by Mr. Fitzgerald, who wished a whole sub-section of the clause obliterated. This because it gave the returning officer power to ask any person who wished to register whether he was an inmate of a charitable establishment. The amount of sympathy evoked for the residents in eleemosynary institutions was wonderful. Everyone seemed to think it was unfair to deprive the State pensioner or aged asylum inmate of his vote, and consequently the Premier raised no objection, and the whole of the sub-section was struck out. The clause was passed without any further Ministerial concessions, though the next one, No. 16, was postponed altogether, because of some difficulty in dealing with it. The patchwork process of legislation was, however, recommenced over clause 17, when an animated discussion arose as to the manner in which a substituted elector's right might be issued. The matters involved were only those of detail, yet they took quite as long to fight out as the more important principles of the bill.

All the exciting questions having been disposed of, the debate now took a purely technical turn, and the few members who take an interest in such matters were active in making little amendments supposed to be essential to the proper working of the measure. The clauses under consideration dealt with the rules and regulations to be observed in issuing substituted electors' rights, and both in sections 18 and 19 there was plenty of room for intelligent comment. The matter of handwriting demanded a good deal of consideration; for in clause 19 it is proposed that the handwriting of an applicant for a substituted right shall be compared with the original signature on the butt. Some of the legal members thought this provision was superfluous, and likely to lead to complications of various kinds, especially in country parts, where vagaries in the interpretation of Acts of Parliament are not unknown. The point was contested rather keenly, and eventually a division was called for, the result being that the words providing for a comparison of the handwriting were struck out of the clause. The Government opposed the amendment, but were, as usual, defeated by a combination of the labour end and the Opposition, the voting being 46 to 35. In consequence of the radical amendment substituting districts for divisions in the matter of registration, the next half-dozen clauses or so had to be postponed, for they all required extensive alteration. Mr. Traill thought the postponement business was getting monotonous, and suggested that it would be better to adjourn altogether, and to take the bill up afresh next week. Mr. Vaughn believed that clause 26, which gave anyone power to make objection to the registration of a vote by post, might as well be struck out altogether. Mr. Walker, looking at it from an opposite point of view, wanted to amend the clause so as to abolish the registration fee in letters of this kind altogether. The provision as it stood only provided for a registration fee of 2d—half the ordinary rate—and yet Mr. Walker did not consider the concession sufficient. Mr. Traill sympathised with Mr. Walker, and seconded his efforts to abolish the registration fee altogether. He pointed out that this practice had been adopted in South Australia, and had been found to work very well. Mr. Crick rebuked Mr. Traill for wasting time over a matter of this kind, and showed an unusual desire to get on with the proper legislative work of the Chamber.

The great twopenny question, indeed, assumed phenomenal importance, for it led to a lengthened discussion as to the advisability or otherwise of wasting time over the matter. As in all other debates of the kind, more time was spent in deciding whether it was right to discuss the matter than would have sufficed to pass the clause half a dozen times over. At last a division was arrived at, and the members who desired to abolish the twopenny registration fee found themselves in a minority of 14 to 54. As there was still some energy left in the committee, the work was pushed on, and a number of clauses treating of revision courts were passed with purely formal amendments. In this way a good deal of useful work was rapidly done, and clauses 44 and 45, containing debatable matter, having been postponed, clause 46 was agreed to, and Part II. of the bill was for the present finished. Of course many difficult points contained in this part of the bill are still left unsettled, but nevertheless the progress made was quite remarkable, and the House was perfectly satisfied to adjourn just before midnight.

Questions are to be asked in the Legislative Assembly next Tuesday to the following effect:—By Mr. Lyne: Were negotiations of any nature opened with the London and Australian Debenture Corporation for the sale of debentures in London representing £1,500,000, or with any other corporation in New South Wales? Was a sum shown to be due to the London and Australian Debenture Corporation in a return recently laid upon the table of this House received from such corporation in cash? By Mr. Scott: Is it a fact that the Railway Commissioners, after accepting tenders for erecting brick station buildings and awnings supported on iron columns and lattice girders at Eveleigh, Macdonaldtown, Newtown, and Summer Hill, caused fresh plans of wooden buildings and awnings to be prepared, and cut out almost the whole of the brickwork and ironwork? Have the contractors received instructions to erect the buildings and awnings of wood? By Mr. Traill: Does the Sydney School of Arts receive a subsidy from the Government? Is the hall of that institution used for entertainments of a minstrel and comic variety character?

Mr. Farnell has introduced a bill into the Legislative Assembly for the purpose of amending the Nuisances Prevention Act.

The projected rendezvous of the new cruisers belonging to the auxiliary squadron took place in Moreton Bay yesterday. The flagship Orlando, flying the Rear Admiral's flag, was the first to enter the bay, the Katoomba, Wallaroo, and Ringarooma following. During the afternoon the other vessels composing the squadron arrived from their coastal cruise, and brought up near the flagship. Only two of the cruisers proceeded up the river yesterday to Brisbane, the Wallaroo and the Katoomba. The others will be piloted up to-day, leaving the Ringarooma in the bay to act as tender to the Admiral's ship; a regard for the possibility of the Orlando grounding in the bend of the river having determined that the big fighting ironclad shall stay out in the bay. Sir Henry Norman was a passenger on board the Orlando, and landed at Brisbane yesterday by the Government steamer Lucinda.

The reformatory buildings at Rookwood formed the subject of inquiry in the Legislative Assembly last evening. Sir Henry Parkes informed the House that the buildings cost £18,643, and the cost of maintenance since the premises were handed over by the contractors had been £3049. Several Governments had not attempted to put the buildings to any use. The reason for that was obvious—they were unsuited for a reformatory; they were unsuited by reason of their locality for a benevolent asylum, because, from his point of view, to put persons on the verge of the grave in a place where they would have no outlook except on the graves of those already gone before them would be cruel in the extreme; and they were unsuited for most other purposes on account of their locality and distance from Sydney. At the present time, however, there was some negotiation on hand to make them available for the purpose of technical education.

Notice of a further series of questions respecting the new rifle range at Randwick was given in the Legislative Assembly last night. Mr. Frank Farnell is anxious to know when Sir Henry Parkes will direct an examination of the "improved" targets now on the cadet range to be made by some person not connected with the Military Works Department, with a view to stating whether these targets complied with certain conditions of the competition held under the direction of the Board on Targets in July. Mr. Farnell also wishes to know whether two of the "improved targets have been permanently erected, and how much money has been paid, and how much is due to, Messrs. Goodlet and Smith for material supplied (a) for timber and iron for shelter mounds, and (b) for buildings (cost in regard to each building separately)?"

Answering a question in the Legislative Assembly last night, the Premier said the establishment of a labour bureau had been partly considered by the Government. If steps were taken in such a direction he thought the institution would assume larger dimensions than that of a mere bureau.

Last night Mr. Bruce Smith laid on the table of the Assembly a return showing the amount of inwards and outwards goods traffic between Guyra and Glen Innes and Inverell for the past five years. The following are the totals in this document:—Passengers, outwards, 15,606; and revenue, £7199. Goods, inwards, 6646 tons; revenue, £21,945. Goods sent west, 3394 tons, revenue £14,876; goods outward, 10,113 tons, revenue £13,942; goods out from west, 3699 tons, revenue £7457; wool sent outwards, 5485 bales, the revenue from which was £3350. In the five years between 1886 and 1890 the total revenue received from the traffic named was £68,769.

The bill presented to the Assembly last night by Mr. Cann, to amend the Wentworth Electorate Subdivision Act, provides for the repeal of the sixth section in the Act named. After the passing of the Amending Bill, the provisions for the expansion of the representation of electoral districts in the Legislative Assembly contained in the sixth, seventh, eighth, and ninth sections of the Electoral Act of 1880, will be applicable to the electoral districts of Wentworth, Wilcannia, and Sturt.

In answer to a representation made by the secretary of the Sydney School of Arts, the Railway Commissioners have re-considered the new parcels rates introduced on the 1st instant, as regards library exchanges, and have approved of parcels of books sent to and from libraries being carried at one quarter the ordinary parcels rate, with a minimum charge of 3d.

A bill to be read with and amending the Fisheries Act of 1881 has been introduced into the Assembly by Mr. Frank Farnell. It declares unlawful and prevents the use of what are known as sunken nets; and it imposes upon persons who contravene the provisions of the Act penalties of £5, and not less than £2 for the first offence, and of £20, and not less than £5 for the second offence. Magistrates and justices in the case of conviction may order the forfeiture of every net, together with all warps, ropes, and gear used in connection therewith. The remaining clauses of the bill provide that offenders may be apprehended, and authorise justices to grant warrants for any inspectors of Customs or any other officer to enter suspected places. Assault upon inspectors and others in the execution of their duty is an offence punishable by a fine not exceeding £50 nor less than £10, or by imprisonment not exceeding six calendar months. Nothing in the bill is to be construed as a prohibition of the use of bona-fide trawl nets, or any other net made on the same principle, and for bottom fishing only, provided that they are used elsewhere than in Port Jackson, Botany Bay, and Port Hacking.

A bill has been introduced into the Legislative Assembly by Mr. Frank Farnell to amend the Fisheries Act of 1881 in certain respects. The bill repeals the fourth section of the Act 44 Vic. No. 26, intituled "An Act to provide for the development and regulation of the fisheries of the colony." Clause 2, which gives the Colonial Secretary the power to control fisheries, is as follows:—"Whenever and wherever in the several enactments specified in the schedule hereto, and the regulations made thereunder respectively, the words 'Commissioners of Fisheries' or 'Commissioners' occur they shall be read to mean the Colonial Secretary, in whom, after the passing of this Act, the duties, powers, and authority of the said Commissioners of Fisheries shall thereupon become vested. But no act done or proceeding commenced by the said Commissioners of Fisheries before the passing of this Act under any of the specified enactments shall be affected by any provision herein contained."

A meeting of the Cabinet was held yesterday afternoon, when the vote adverse to the Government on clause 14 of the Representation of the People Bill, given in the Assembly on the previous night, received Ministerial attention. The proceedings in Parliament last night indicate the nature of the Cabinet deliberations.

A deputation representing the Plattsburg Municipal Council waited upon the Minister for Lands yesterday afternoon, and obtained a promise that the claims of Plattsburg to a recreation reserve would be considered. The Minister for Justice was also waited upon yesterday by a deputation representing residents of West Maitland, who are desirous of having the proposed new courthouse erected at the corner of High and Semple streets, instead of in Elgin-street. Mr. Gould promised to have the necessary inquiries made. A second deputation was to have interviewed the Minister for Justice in connection with the proposed alteration in the name of the Wallsend Court-house and Police Station, and the establishment of a Licensing Court, but owing to Mr. Gould's detention at a Cabinet meeting, the deputation was postponed.

Yesterday the Postmaster-General received a deputation of Hartley Vale residents, introduced by Mr. Cook and Mr. Donald, Ms.L.A. A resolution carried at a public meeting held in the district in favour of removing the Post and Telegraph office from a storekeeper's premises to the old police barracks, was the ground-work of the request made by the deputation. The Postmaster-General said he would make inquiries into the matter, and, if possible, the desire of the residents of Hartley Vale should be granted as early as possible.

Notwithstanding that Term has been extended to the 5th September, the Full Court will sit to-morrow for the admission of solicitors, and for the disposal of other business usually taken on the last day of Term.

The Chinese Gambling Commission met for the first time yesterday at the Town Hall. There were present: The Mayor of Sydney, Alderman W. P. Manning, in the chair, and Messrs. Abigail, Hawthorne, Quong Tart, and M'Kilop. Mr. Abigail was elected vice-president. Various preliminaries were arranged, and preparations made for the taking of evidence. For the future the Commission will sit three times weekly—Tuesday afternoon, Thursday evening, and Saturday evening.

For a date as far forward as November 10, Mr. O'Sullivan has given notice to move that the Legislative Assembly will, on the Tuesday following, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider an address to the Governor, praying that his Excellency will be pleased to appoint a Royal Commission—consisting partly of legal experts and partly of members of this House—for the purpose of reporting upon the laws of the country, and notifying which of them are obsolete or undesirable, and what measures of a modern character should be substituted for them.

The Secretary for Mines and Agriculture has recently had under consideration a suggestion for the registration of drovers, as stockowners and agents are frequently at a loss to find capable and reliable men; and, with a view to obtaining an expression of opinion on the subject from the persons most interested, Mr. Smith has caused a circular to be addressed to the several Boards of Sheep Directors in the colony, covering a sketch of the proposed regulations.

On Wednesday operations in tree-planting were commenced at the State Nursery, Wyong, under the superintendence of Mr. John M'Coig, of the Gosford State Nursery. The first day's planting amounted to some 2000 being young cedar trees, and although the six or eight men were more or less strange to the work, it progressed satisfactorily. 5000 cedars are to be planted out, 1000 catalpa trees, 2000 pines, 1000 oak trees, and also elms, poplars, &c.

Mr. J. E. Brown, the Director-General of Forests, will leave Sydney this morning for Wyong and there superintend the planting operations in the 30-acre reserve which has been set apart and prepared for tree-planting of an experimental nature. A large staff of men will be engaged during the next fortnight in setting some 25,000 seedlings including numerous red cedars and specimens of exotics especially introduced for this purpose.

Mr. Garrard has received notice that the Government has issued instructions that all members of the Civil Service having votes in Central Cumberland will be allowed the day on Saturday to exercise the same. Mr. Garrard is also in receipt of a letter from the secretary to the Railway Commissioners stating that instructions have been issued to permit all those of the employed having votes to leave work at 11 a.m. on Saturday.

Mr. Jacob Garrard, one of the candidates for the representation of Central Cumberland, held three successful meetings on Wednesday night. At the Dundas Town Hall the Mayor (Alderman J. Fullford) was in the chair. A large and enthusiastic meeting unanimously approved of Mr. Garrard's candidature. At Rydalmere School of Arts there was a large attendance of electors, presided over by Mr. S. Goold, and a unanimous vote of confidence was passed. At Ermington Mr. Shelly presided, and there was a unanimous meeting. Mr. Garrard last night addressed meetings at Baulkham Hills, Castle Hills, and Dural. At each place his address was received with approval, and a unanimous vote was passed in his favour.

The arguments in the Equity appeal the Scottish Australian Mining Company v. Redhead Coal-mining Company were resumed yesterday before the Full Court, and counsel for the appellants (defendants) having concluded, the further hearing was adjourned until next Term. Sir Julian Salomons, Q.C., suggested that the case should be continued on Monday so that the Bench might have the advantage of disposing of it while the arguments and evidence were fresh in their Honors' minds; but the Chief Justice pointed out that Term had been extended for a week in order to deal with new trial motions, only one of which had, so far, been cleared from the list.

In answer to a question by counsel yesterday, his Honor the Chief Justice said that the Court will deliver judgment in Cameron v. Cameron this morning. With regard to the case of Wallace v. Huxley, his Honor stated that he and Mr. Justice Innes were prepared with their judgments, but that Mr. Justice Foster, owing to illness, had not been able to consider the matter. It was announced that in the appeal of defendant in the action Federal Bank v. Levy, negotiations were proceeding with a view to a settlement, and the Chief Justice remarked that it was a proper matter for settlement.

In the course of the current month the District Courts have been sitting under the presidency of Judge Backhouse and Judge Fitzhardinge. There were 411 defended cases, including 12 tried before juries, and three Supreme Court issues. The remanets other than jury cases numbered 115. Some hearings have been postponed at the request of the parties concerned, but with these exceptions all the cases ready for trial will be disposed of by the end of this week. The September Court, therefore, will only have to dispose of its own cases.

At a finance committee meeting of the City Council yesterday afternoon, Alderman Meeks drew attention to certain remarks made use of by the Premier in proposing the health of the Mayor at the recent Eddy banquet, and which he construed into an insult. He gave notice of his intention to submit at the next meeting of the council a motion expressing confidence in the Mayor, and placing on record that the discourteous and disparaging references made to his Worship by the Premier were altogether unwarrantable and highly reprehensible; and it further provided "that the foregoing resolution be engrossed upon vellum and presented to his Worship as a token of esteem and regard." The motion was the cause of much jocularity among the aldermen, though it was submitted by Alderman Meeks with a most serious mien. An attempt was made to discuss the motion in committee, but the discussion was promptly suppressed by the Mayor.

Under the Moore-street Improvement Act the City Council have to levy a rate of something less than one penny upon the citizens generally to meet the portion of the expenditure not contributed by property owners within the improvement area. It was pointed out by the Mayor to the committee yesterday that this provision of the Act would entail a considerable amount of work upon the department, and to avoid this he suggested that an amending bill should be prepared enabling them to take the amount required from the city fund. The aldermen present concurred in this view, and the City Solicitor was instructed to prepare the measure.

A nineteen days' round trip to New Caledonia, the Fiji Islands, and the New Hebrides was completed last night by the A. U. S. N. Company's steamer Rockton, and Captain Saunders reports the trip to have been a very pleasant one. Fine weather and smooth seas were the rule, and a shower of rain the rare exception. Only when nearing Sydney yesterday was any rain fallen in with; previous to that the air was clear and pleasant with an unclouded sky. This is in marked contrast to the unsettled weather experienced on this coast in the same period. These monthly trips to the islands are becoming better known, and they undoubtedly possess many attractions to those who can afford the leisure to enjoy them. The A. U. S. N. Company maintain an excellent service, its main line steamer from Sydney connecting each voyage with an interinsular steamer at Aneityum in the New Hebrides. A large quantity of copra is usually shipped to Sydney from the New Hebrides, and on the present trip there are some 2000 sacks on board the steamer, coffee and maize are the other articles produced in the group. Fiji supplies the bulk of the steamer's cargo in the shape of bananas, the increasing demand for which is one of the remarkable features of this island trade. Amongst the passengers by the Rockton this time is Dr. Oliver, health officer at the port of Suva, and Mr. Thomas, who with two others left here several months since for the New Hebrides in a small vessel named the Sunbeam, has returned by the steamer.

Fijian news to a week ago yesterday came to hand by the Rockton last night. Copious rains have fallen and done an immense good to the cane crops, and great quantities of sugar continue to be exported, the chief customers being New Zealand and Victoria. Something is being done with tobacco in the group, and rice fields to a limited extent may now be seen in Fiji. The cultivation of rice is of recent date there, but the experimental crops put in have yielded so well that it is but a question of time ere Fiji will be a considerable exporter of that commodity. Another fire has occurred in Fiji, but instead of being in the town of Suva or at Levuka, it was confined to some cocoanut groves belonging to natives on the island of Cicia. The fire extended over the greater part of the island before it could be checked. At Central Viti Levu a religious fanaticism has broken out, something after the manner of the Hau Hau outbreak amongst the Maoris of New Zealand years ago, and the Government has been called upon to interpose, with the result that the frenzied population of several villages have been banished to another island—Kandavu. The steamer Rockton brings word that a labour vessel from the Line Islands arrived at Suva with a report that hundreds of the natives of those islands were being recruited for service in Mexico, and a vessel under the American flag, with from 200 to 250 of these unfortunate creatures on board, was fallen in with. The Mexican coffee planters are, it is said, in need of labour, and vessels have been sent out on these cruises to the coral islands of the South Seas to procure cargoes of islanders.

The iron barque Carn Tual, owned in Sydney and manned by a Sydney crew, was causing some anxiety to underwriters when the English mail left London on July 24. The rate of premium had, it is said, gone up to 70 guineas per cent. The barque is on a voyage from Cardiff, in Wales, to Port Louis, Mauritius.

Reports received by the Rockton from the New Hebrides state that on several of the islands the natives were at war. H.M.S. Goldfinch had been cruising in the group, but had returned to Noumea to coal. At Espiritu Santo and Ambrym islands, also on Tanna, the scene of the wreck of the steamer Fijian, bloodshed had taken place. There were no reports of European traders being attacked, and the trading vessels in the group were not affected by the disturbances. The Australasian New Hebrides Company's new station is flourishing, and the company's new vessel the Friendship has commenced work in the group. Copra is coming in well, and settlement at Port Sandwich and Vila is going ahead.

The attendance yesterday at the Horticultural Society's Flower Show, in the Centennial Hall, was large. In the morning the children of the Deaf Dumb and Blind Institution, in charge of the attendants, were admitted, and appeared delighted with their visit. Touching the exhibition of pansies, it may be stated that several collections of these flowers, exhibited by Mr. C. Halstead and Mr. James Green, were superior to any pansies previously shown at the society's exhibitions, Mr. Halstead's exhibits being especially handsome. Mr. Hallewell was last evening responsible for the concert programme, and this was in every respect pleasant and suited to the occasion. The Banjo and Guitar Society contributed selections under Mr. F. R. Peel's leadership, and in particular did well in the "Heinlich Liebe," when vociferous applause led to the addition of some Negro melodies. Mr. Austin T. Craven sang for the first time a new song by Mr. W. H. Jude, "Love's Golden Portal." This proved a melodious ballad, and being treated with sentiment by the singer, was very cordially received. The tenor than sang Welling's "This is my dream," of which, except for a too marked preference for superfluous grace notes, he gave a good rendering. Mr. L. G. Cork, owing to a slight cold, by which, however, the voice was but little affected, substituted Sterndale Bennett's "Maiden Mine" for the new ballad, by Tosti ("My Heart's Delight"), recorded on the programme. The young baritone sang Bennett's famous love-song with much feeling, if hardly sufficient delicacy, and the rendering proving effective, the audience clamoured for an encore. "If Doughty Deeds," sung with much spirit and a good quality of voice, was the added number. Miss L. Galvin was at her best in "Bantry Bay" (Molloy), in which the careful enunciation, tender feeling, and pretty sympathetic quality of voice told well. The voice, which at present is not strong and needs careful nursing, gives promise of good things to come, for the quality is beautiful. The young singer was encored, and repeated the last verse. Miss Sid. Keane, who was also in good voice, thoroughly pleased the house in "I dreamt I dwelt" (encored), and joined Miss Galvin in the duet "As it fell upon a Day." There is an old-world sweetness about the music of this duet which has fully realised the intention of the composer (Sir Henry Bishop) to give it the character of the simple, fragrant verse it expresses; the singers were in accord, and the duet, though last, was decidedly not least of the pieces on the programme. Mr. Harold Watts gave a brilliant rendering of Terschak's "Allegro de Concert" for flute, and Mr. W. N. Jaques proved an efficient accompanist.

Yesterday the last—and the largest—of the bells in connection with the new Post Office clock was raised to its proper position in the belfry. All that now remains to be done is to fix the hammers and attach the mechanism with the clock works. This will probably occupy some two or three days. Mr. Daly has been confronted in the execution of his contract with difficulties of an unexpected character which, through no fault of his own, upset his calculations. Hence the delay in completing the contract. The necessary paraphernalia for illuminating the dials has been procured and placed in readiness. Yesterday one of the dials was fitted with electric light apparatus, and as an experiment the George-street dial was illuminated for a little while during the evening. In the course of a few days the bells will be tested, and the official opening will take place probably on Monday week.

The Windsor Grammar School Cadet Corps held its quarterly night parade and attack a few evenings ago. The attacking party, in charge of Sergeant-Major Newman, assisted by Sergeant P. Newman, left the school at 7 p.m. and marched towards the Blacktown-road. Halting about a mile from home it was divided into two parties, one part directing its attack on the right point, the other marching by a circuitous route through the bush made a flank attack on the extreme left, thus drawing off the defenders' attention from the main attack. The engagement was at its hottest about 8.30, both defending and attacking parties keeping up a steady fire. Bugler G. Hume sounded the "Cease fire" about 9 p.m., the attacking party having by far the best of the fight. The cadets then fell in and fired a few volleys. Captain Keenan, assisted by Lance-Corporal M'Leish and Private T. Allsopp and Bugler G. Hume, was in charge of the defenders, and complimented the corps on the manner in which they carried out the attack. After a light supper, the corps was dismissed.

About three months ago application was made by the Randwick Borough Council for the dedication of two reserves as public parks. In the Legislative Assembly last night Mr. Brunker, the Minister for Lands, stated that this matter was still under consideration. He must, however, point out that Randwick was one of the most favoured suburbs in the matter of recreation and other reserves, as, besides the racecourse reserve of 202 acres, there were within the boundaries of the borough no less than 24 reserves of an aggregate area of 104a. 2r. 38½p., 13 of which were under the control of the borough council, and seven of the remainder vested in Messrs. Charles Moore and others, as trustees.

On Wednesday evening a meeting was held in Balmain Dispensary Hall to establish in that borough a branch of the Womanhood Suffrage League of New South Wales. Lady Windeyer, Mrs. Pottie, Mrs. Vandeleur-Kelly, Miss Windeyer, and other ladies from the council of the Womanhood Suffrage League of New South Wales were present, also Dr. Kelly and Mr. Ackerman. Mr. W. M. Burns, ex-Mayor, was voted to the chair, and expressed himself in favour of the objects of the meeting. Lady Windeyer (President of the Womanhood Suffrage League), Mrs. Pottie, and others advocated the cause of womanhood suffrage; and the majority of those present joined the league. The Balmain branch was formed, Mrs. James Hogg and Miss Pashley being appointed hon. secretaries, and Mrs. Milne hon. treasurer. A committee was appointed to make arrangements for a public meeting. Hearty votes of thanks to Lady Windeyer, the other ladies, and the chairman, brought a successful meeting to a close.

The remains of Mr. Charles Smith Wilkinson, the Government Geologist for this colony, whose demise took place at his residence, Burwood, on Wednesday, were interred in the cemetery of the Anglican Church at Enfield yesterday afternoon. Shortly after 3 o'clock the funeral cortége left the deceased gentleman's late residence, amongst those present being the Hon. F. T. Humphery, M.L.C., Mr. F. Rogers, president of the Land Court, Mr. Edward Dowling, late secretary to the Board of Technical Education, and Mr. James Eve, ex-mayor of Enfield. The Minister for Mines had also expressed his intention of being present, but was prevented from attending by a Cabinet meeting. Nevertheless, the Department was well represented by Messrs. Ethridge, Pitman, Herring, Carne, Connor, Bishop, Mayes, Onslow, Morgan, Leigh, and Ray. The funeral service was conducted by the Revs. A. Bartlett and S. Fox. A beautiful wreath had been sent by the officers of the Mines Department, and the coffin, which was of polished cedar, was literally laden with choice floral tributes.

An interesting service in connection with the China Inland Mission was held on Wednesday evening in the Woollahra Presbyterian Church. The Rev. J. Walker occupied the chair. Prayer was offered by the Rev. Dr. Steel, the Rev. J. Fordyce reading a portion of the Scriptures. Apologies were received from the Rev. R. Bavin, Mr. W. V. Young, and Mr. J. Marks, M.L.A., for inability to attend. The Rev. J. Austin having said a few words about the origin and progress of the China Inland Mission, and its claims upon the people, the Rev. Mr. Moon offered prayer, earnestly commending the mission band to God's care and love. The Rev. J. Walker read an address from the office-bearers and Sunday-school teachers of the Woollahra Presbyterian Church to Miss Coleman—one of the missionaries, who for three years has acted as lady visitor in that congregation, conducted classes, and helped the work of God in Woollahra. Miss Coleman made a suitable reply, telling the story of how she had been led to devote herself, first to mission work in Woollahra, and then to China. On the platform were the missionary among the Chinese of Sydney, and nearly a dozen converts. Mr. Young Wai made an interesting speech, and concluded by presenting Miss Coleman with a writing-desk, bound in morocco, with her initials on the handle. Miss A. Garland, one of the little band, spoke of the numbers of heathen who had never heard of Jesus Christ or His Gospel. Miss S. Garland spoke of her gladness at the prospect of going to China, and her trust in the power of Christ to enable her to speak to the Chinese. Miss Harrison spoke of how much the Gospel had been to her since she became a Christian, and told the way by which she had been led to offer herself to the China Inland Mission. Miss Malcolm told how she had been led to work with Mrs. Durham among the Chinese; how she had received medical education sufficient to enable her to be of service to the bodies as well as to the souls of men. Mr. Thompson also briefly addressed the meeting, asking for the constant prayers of the people. The chairman expressed the pleasure of the Christians in Woollahra in having such a band among them, and earnestly urged the people to be missionaries at home or abroad. A public meeting of farewell to the contingent was held in the large hall of the Y. M. C. A. last evening. There was a large attendance, the chair being occupied by the Rev. W. Scott, whilst seated upon the platform were the Revs. R. Bavin, T. J. Malyon, J. A. Soper, and T. Jenkyn. The meeting opened with prayer, after which the little band of workers who have consecrated their lives to the spiritual enlightenment of the heathen millions of the Chinese empire, narrated their testimony of the saving power of Christ, and asked those present to invoke the blessing of God to attend their efforts in that far-away land. The contingent sail for China in the steamer Guthrie to-morrow morning.

The conference for the "promotion of spiritual life" was concluded in St. David's Church, Surry Hills, yesterday. At the afternoon sitting the Ven. Archdeacon Gunther presided. The subject discussed was "The Privileges of Service," and in connection with this the Rev. J. Chaffers, Welsh spoke on "Honour," the Rev. J. W. Debenham on "Protection," the Rev. F. B. Boyce on "Favour," the Rev. E. D. Madgwick on "Peace," the Rev. W. A. Charlton on "Joy," and the Rev. J. H. Price on "Rest." Mr. Cameron, the Ven. Archdeacon King, and the Ven. Archdeacon H. Langley (Melbourne) were the speakers on the general subject. "Spiritual life among the Young" was debated by Mr. Scrutton, Miss Ellis, Mrs. Varley, and the Rev. E. A. Colvin. The Rev. Joshua Hargrave occupied the chair at the evening sitting. "The Prospects of Service," the subject for discussion, was divided into three parts—"Rejoicing with Christ," "perfect Service with Christ," and "Everlasting Rule with Christ," and these were spoken to by the Ven. Archdeacon H. Langley, Dr. Rutledge, and the Rev. T. B. Tress. The Ven. Archdeacon Langley then took the chair, and the conference was opened for the giving of praise and testimony. Prayer was offered by different ministers and laymen.

A concert in connection with the Woollahra Presbyterian Church Literary and Debating Society was given in St. Matthias Hall, Paddington, last night. There was a fair attendance. The programme included pianoforte solos, songs, a tyrolean trio (zithers and lute), and a recitation. Among those who contributed to the evening's entertainment were Mr. A. S. Appleton, Miss Ida Brees, Mr. Rupert Taylor, Miss Florence Crawford, Herr C. Gotsch, Mr. George G. Park, Miss L. O'Shaunessy, Mr. J. Chalmers, Miss Beatrice Moxon, and Mr. J. A. S. Adam.

Some seventy friends, ladies and gentlemen, of Mr. W. T. Willoughby, late acting postmaster at Randwick, gave him a dinner in Gedhe's rooms last evening, in honour of his departure for the Wagga Wagga Post-office, to which he has been promoted. Mr. H. J. Marr presided, and in proposing the health of the guest alluded to his many good qualities, and on behalf of the company wished him every success in his new sphere. Advantage was taken of the occasion to present Mr. Willoughby with a hunting lever watch suitably engraved. Mr. Willoughby, in reply, thanked the company for its very acceptable present. Dancing was then indulged in and kept up till an early hour.

A meeting of the Galston Lodge No. 666 of Good Templars, was held at Galston Hall, on the 22nd instant, at which the merits of the various candidates for the representation of Central Cumberland were discussed, and a unanimous decision arrived at to support Mr. John Marshall, who had signed the test question, and who has been for years an energetic member of the Order.

A well-attended concert, arranged by the No. 1 Parramatta Fire Brigade, in aid of the widow and children of late Fireman Melirum, was held in the Parramatta Town Hall last evening. The Mayor presided, and a good programme of music was gone through. The Mascotte Minstrels supplied the second part of the programme. At the close of the concert a social was held.

The following candidates have passed the intermediate and final law examinations, the names being arranged in alphabetical order:—Intermediate examination.—Messrs. C. P. G. Bawdon, W. J. Bruton, D. P. Claverie, C. L. J. Doherty, M. J. Duffy, F. O. Ebsworth, J. E. Gosling, W. T. Hives, R. L. Houston, A. M'Lobban, H. W. Lovett, H. Lowenstein, P. Lyon, A. J. M'Lachlan, H. T. M'Kay, H. W. D. Nardin, R. Old, V. W. G. Read, W. Sands, J. F. Smith, K. L. Street, D. H. L. Woods, and S. M. Von Arnheim. Final examination: Messrs. C. L. Austin, E. G. M. Cohen, P. S. Dawson, L. S. Flett, L. C. Ford, C. D. Inglis, A. Mitchell, A. M'Evilly, R. A. Shorter, W. L. Thompson, and J. V. Tillett.

The formation of a brass band for the Eastern suburbs has been accomplished, and on Tuesday evening last the necessary arrangements were completed to enable the band to make its first public appearance. The Centennial Park has been chosen as the most central and best adapted for open-air concerts, and at stated periods during the coming summer evenings the band will perform a programme of popular music. It is the intention of the bandsmen to apply to the local councils with a view to the erection of a suitable rotunda.

The fortnightly meeting of the William O'Brien branch No. 1 of the Irish National Foresters was held at the Shamrock Club on Tuesday evening last. Bro. J. P. Kavanagh, C.R., was in the chair. There was a large attendance. It was notified that an address would be sent at an early date to Mr. William O'Brien, M.P., from the branch.

In a supplement to the *Government Gazette*, published yesterday, the Railway Commissioners give the new rules and regulations for the conduct of the traffic, and for the guidance of the officers and men in the service of the Railway Commissioners of New South Wales.

Yesterday afternoon a young girl named Maude M'Kay, aged 15, met with a serious accident whilst travelling in a train from a western station to Doonside. She asked the guard of the train to stop at Doonside; but, seeing that the train was going past that station without stopping, she leaned out of the window to signal to her mother, who lives near the station. As she was leaning out the door flew open, and she was thrown on to the line. She received a compound fracture of one ankle, besides a severe bruising and shock. She was removed to the Parramatta District Hospital.

A largely-attended meeting of the Newtown branch of the Irish National Foresters' Benefit Society was held last Monday evening in Webster's Hotel, King-street, Newtown. Bro. Henry Sutherland, C.R., presided. Amongst those present were Bro. James Kavanagh, C.R., Bro. Teague (Woodward), Bro. Langan, treasurer, Bro. Doherty, secretary. Several new members were enrolled.

A correspondent writes in reference to the lighting of the city, contrasting it with that of Newcastle, which, in his opinion, is much superior.

The dead body of a newly-born male child was found floating in White Bay, Glebe Island, yesterday afternoon by a boy named George Mason. The police were informed, and Constable Havens, on conveying the body to the South Sydney Morgue, found it was wrapped in a piece of black cloth, and round its loins was a piece of white rag, to which were attached two bars of iron. The Coroner has been informed.

An advertisement in another column announces that Mr. W. J. Sayce will deliver an address in the Y. M. C. A. Hall this evening.

The Permanent Artillery Band, under the direction of Bandmaster Devery, will perform in Hyde Park this afternoon, weather permitting.

The following is the report of the Benevolent Asylum for the week ended August 26:—Admitted, 11 women 14 children; births, 7; deaths, 7; discharged, 15 women, 14 children; remaining in the asylum, 107 women, 144 children: total, 251. Provisions distributed: 2049 loaves bread, 1314lb. flour, 729lb. meat, 575lb. sugar, 142½lb. tea, 57½lb. sago, 73lb. rice, 2lb. arrowroot, 85lb. oatmeal. Fresh applications for relief, 15, viz.:—1 case husband and wife in ill-health, 2 deserted wives and 7 children, 6 destitute men, 5 having wives and 21 children, 1 aged couple, 3 widows having 8 children, 2 aged women. There were 7 renewals of relief, viz.:—1 aged couple, 2 destitute men with wives and 7 children, 1 husband afflicted having 3 children, 1 destitute woman, 1 widow having 4 children, 1 husband in gaol having 3 children. Cases reported by the inspector, 65; in 24 cases the relief was disallowed, in 4 cases the money was disallowed, in one it was reduced. Total number of cases relieved, 514.

THE BANK OF VAN DIEMEN'S LAND.

[By Telegraph.]
(From our Correspondent.)

LAUNCESTON, Thursday.

The negotiations for the amalgamation of the Bank of Van Diemen's Land with the National Bank of Tasmania are proceeding satisfactorily. A committee had been appointed at Hobart to get an offer for the required shares, and in a few minutes five thousand out of 20,000 shares were taken up. The National Bank shareholders generally favour the proposal, there being a very strong desire on the part of the public to terminate the existing depression, which is now assuming serious proportions.

FIRE ON BOARD THE R.M.S. PARRAMATTA.

A LASCAR SUFFOCATED BY FUMES.

[By Telegraph.]
(From our Correspondent.)

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

A fire broke out on the mail steamer Parramatta, at Port Melbourne railway pier, yesterday afternoon, originating in a tunnel in the after hatch, where some goods became ignited. The second engineer and a Lascar storeman named Ismael Majaher, noticing the smoke, proceeded to extinguish it, Ismael leading the way. He had nearly reached the fire when the fumes overcame him, and the engineer was driven back and reached the hold in an exhausted condition. Attempts were made to rescue the lascar without success. In a short time the flames were subdued, and the body of the unfortunate man was discovered dead from suffocation. The damage from the fire was very trifling.

CONFERENCE OF VICTORIAN FARMERS.

[By Telegraph.]
(From our Correspondent.)

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The adjourned conference of Victorian farmers to-night continued the consideration of the federation question. It was decided by 36 to 8 votes that the federation of the mainland and Tasmania is desirable as opposed to the federation of the whole of the Australasian colonies. A motion was also carried disapproving of any federation that would deprive the colony of the power of imposing such import duties and fiscal regulations and bounties as were necessary in accordance with the special requirements of the colony.

THE SUPPOSED SEA SERPENT.

[By Telegraph.]
(From our Correspondent.)

AUCKLAND, Thursday.

The sea serpent reported to have been seen the other day is now believed to have been an immense rata tree, which has been seen floating in the sea on the east coast, and which from a distance presented the appearance of a marine monster.

THE MINISTER FOR WORKS.

[By Telegraph.]
(From our Correspondent.)

WINGHAM, Thursday.

The Hon. J. H. Young addressed a large meeting of the electors here last evening. He spoke for some time on the leading questions of the day, especially on the North Coast railway. A motion was carried unanimously expressing gratification at his appointment as Minister of Works, as also was a motion of continued confidence in himself and the Ministry. He left overland this morning for Sydney.

THE UPPER MURRAY RAILWAY.

[By Telegraph.]
(From our Correspondent.)

ALBURY, Thursday.

This morning Mr. Gilliat, an officer of the Railway Department, who has been deputed by the Government to examine the route of the proposed Yambla to Walaregang railway, and to collect statistics likely to be of use in judging as to the advisableness of constructing the railway, left Albury for Talgarno to hold an inquiry into the proposal to erect a bridge over the Murray at Gold Creek crossing in place of the punt authorised by the Governments of New South Wales and Victoria. The residents of the district recognising the fact that so far as travelling store cattle was concerned the punt would be useless, it was determined to make an attempt to have a bridge constructed. Deputations waited on the Ministry, and the Government, seizing the opportunity of Mr. Gilliat being in the district, gave him instructions to inquire into this matter as well as the subject of the Upper Murray railway. On arriving at the Murray the stream was crossed by means of a boat, and the party was met on the other side by some of the residents of Talgarno, who drove to the Athenæum at Talgarno. Mr. Gilliat then commenced business. He found that there were no witnesses prepared with reliable statistics regarding facts which would justify the construction of a bridge instead of a punt, and he therefore arranged with some of the leading residents to compile these statistics and forward them to him, and agreed to take evidence of a general character. Several gentlemen gave evidence as to their own experience of the necessity for a bridge, the witnesses including Mr. W. P. Broome, Mr. A. Elliott, and Mr. H. Jephcott. Mr. Gilliat will take further evidence at the Council-chambers, Albury, concerning this proposed bridge and the Upper Murray railway to-morrow.

CABLEGRAMS.

(From our Correspondent.)

THE BEHRING SEA DIFFICULTY.

LONDON, Aug. 27.

The sealers of British Columbia have forwarded a petition to Lord Salisbury against the closing of Behring Sea to sealers till May next. The petition suggests that compensation should be awarded on the average take of three years, which, it is claimed, would obviate an expensive inquiry which would otherwise be rendered necessary.

THE FINANCES OF ITALY.

LONDON, Aug. 27.

The *Times* states that the finances of Italy betray unsoundness and maladministration.

SEIZURE OF DYNAMITE AND ARMS IN BULGARIA.

LONDON, Aug. 27.

The Government authorities in Bulgaria have seized several chests of dynamite and arms at Sofia and Rustchuk. A number of arrests were made.

THE FRENCH EXPEDITION TO LAKE TCHAD.

LONDON, Aug. 27.

Mr. H. M. Stanley entertains grave doubts as to the success of the new French expedition to Lake Tchad, in Central Africa, via Brazzaville, which is being organised to follow up the work of the expedition massacred by hostile native tribes. He considers that it will be an exceedingly difficult matter for the expedition to proceed through the region indicated, owing to the hostility of the warlike natives.

THE CENSUS OF CANADA.

LONDON, Aug. 27.

The Canadian census shows that the population of the Dominion is 4,820,000.

THREATENED STRIKE AT CHATHAM DOCKYARD.

LONDON, Aug. 26.

The engineers employed at Chatham Dockyard threaten to go out on strike unless their wages be raised to 5s 8d per day, the society's minimum.

THE STABBING OF A PUGILIST.

LONDON, Aug. 26.

Spectators of the affray between Hall, the pugilist, and Davies, his manager, in a saloon at Michigan, confirm the allegation of Davies that he stabbed Hall in self-defence.

A PICTURE FOR THE SYDNEY ART GALLERY.

LONDON, Aug. 26.

Mr. D. P. MacEwan has presented to the trustees of the National Art Gallery of New South Wales the picture "Mount Etna," by Mr. John MacWhirter, A.R.A., R.S.A., the celebrated Scottish painter.

HEAVY STORMS IN THE UNITED KINGDOM.

LONDON, Aug. 26.

The recent heavy storms experienced in England have now extended to Ireland.

Aug. 27.

The rains and strong winds are ruining the crops in the United Kingdom.

BANK OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

LONDON, Aug. 26.

Shares of the Bank of South Australia, which recently dropped considerably, have now recovered to £19 10s.

MR. JUSTICE HAWKINS.

LONDON, Aug. 27.

Mr. Justice Hawkins, who was reported to be seriously ill, is now improving.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, Aug. 26.

The death is announced of General Whichcote.

ENGLAND AND FRANCE.

THE BRITISH FLEET.

A VISIT TO FRANCE.

[By Cable.]
(From our Correspondent.)

LONDON, Aug. 26.

A British squadron will visit France in October next. Cherbourg will be the scene of its reception.

ARGENTINE FINANCES.

LARGE ISSUE OF PAPER MONEY.

[By Cable.]
(From our Correspondent.)

LONDON, Aug. 26.

It is reported that the Government of the Argentine Republic has it in contemplation to increase the special issue of paper money in that country to one hundred million piastres in connection with the new bank of the Argentine nation.

THE BUDGET.

LONDON, Aug. 27.

The Argentine Budget for 1892 shows an estimated surplus of 3¼ million dollars.

THE AGRICULTURAL SHOW IN MELBOURNE.

[By Telegraph.]
(From our Correspondent.)

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

There was an exceptionally large attendance at the Royal Agricultural Society's Show to-day, the general attraction being the trial of heavy-weight hunters. There were 21 competitors, and the results were:—First prize, Rufus; second, Walkover; third, Snowball. In the trial of Ladies' Hunters last year's award was repeated, Miss M'Lellan being first on Acrobat, Miss Hunt on Merry King being second, and Mrs. M'Inerney on Chester third.

A THEATRICAL ASSAULT CASE.

[By Telegraph.]
(From our Correspondent.)

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

A theatrical assault case which excited considerable interest was commenced yesterday in the County Court, before Judge Hamilton, and concluded to-day. Alex. Middleton, theatrical manager, proceeded against John F. Sheridan, the well-known comedian, for assault, claiming £300 damages. Both quarrelled at the Theatre Royal on May 23, during a matinée performance in aid of the Craigburn and J. H. Scammell crews, and the same evening in Swanston-street the plaintiff was struck from behind with a stick by defendant, and it was alleged that he still felt a pain in his neck as the result of the blow. The jury returned a verdict for £100. On the defendant's counter-claim for £300 damages for assault, a verdict was returned for plaintiff.

A RICH DISCOVERY.

By telegram we note some rich discoveries have been made in gold mines in West Australia, but far more precious than these was that of Brooke's Monkey Brand Soap, the most marvellous vanquisher of dirt in the world.—[Advt.]

THE CHILIAN WAR.

THE FIGHTING BEFORE VALPARAISO.

VICTORY FOR THE INSURGENTS.

TERRIBLE SLAUGHTER.

[By Cable.]
(From our Correspondent.)

LONDON, Aug. 26.

In the recent engagement at Valparaiso, President Balmaceda, is said to have displayed the best generalship, and his movements showed a full knowledge of the plans of the insurgents.

Aug. 27.

Telegrams received by the Chilian Legations in London and Paris state that, at the battle of Quinteros on Tuesday, the insurgents, who were between two fires, sustained frightful losses.

President Balmaceda's losses at Aconcagua are now stated to have been 2500, while the insurgents lost 3000 men.

The *New York Herald* correspondent states that the insurgents now encircle Valparaiso, and are driving in the outposts of the President's army. Seventy-two hours' continuous fighting took place outside Valparaiso, and though the Loyalist troops numbered twice as many as the Congressionalists, the latter were victorious, owing to the fact that they were armed with Remington and Winchester rifles.

President Balmaceda is obtaining large reinforcements, and will shortly attack the insurgents.

DISMISSAL OF A CONSUL-GENERAL.

LONDON, Aug. 27.

President Balmaceda has dismissed Senor Beelau, the Chilian Consul-General at Washington, believing that he is friendly towards the insurgents.

THE CRUISER PRESIDENTE PINTO.

LONDON, Aug. 27.

The German Government has refused to allow provisions and arms to be taken on board the new Chilian cruiser Presidente Pinto, which put into Kiel.

THE NEW CRUISERS.

ARRIVAL AT BRISBANE.

[By Telegraph.]
(From our Correspondent.)

BRISBANE, Thursday.

H.M.S. Orlando and the three cruisers arrived in Moreton Bay about 1 o'clock to-day. The Wallaroo and Katoomba at once proceeded up the river, arriving at Brisbane without mishap late in the afternoon. The Ringarooma remains in the bay with the Orlando. All the other vessels of the squadron arrived in Moreton Bay later in the day, and will come up the river to-morrow. The Government steamer Lucinda, with the Chief Secretary aboard, proceeded to the bay to-day to bring up the Governor, who returned from Thursday Island by the Orlando.

The following are the future movements of the squadron: On Monday next one of the cruisers and one of the gunboats will be detached to visit Newcastle, arriving there on the 2nd September, and leaving on the 4th. These vessels rejoin the flagship off Newcastle, and the whole squadron will arrive in Sydney on the 4th September, in order to coal, provision, and effect slight repairs. They stay in Sydney until the 19th, when they leave for Melbourne, arriving there on the 22nd. On the 26th one cruiser and one gunboat will be sent to Portland, rejoining the fleet off that place three days later. On the 28th the bulk of the fleet leave for Adelaide, arriving there on October 2. On October 6 one cruiser will be detached to visit Launceston, and two days later a similar vessel will be sent to Western Australia. H.M.S. Orlando, three cruisers and one gunboat will leave Melbourne on October 8, the cruiser which went to Launceston rejoining these vessels off that place, while the cruisers which went to Albany proceed to Fremantle. On October 12 H.M.S. Orlando, four cruisers, and two gunboats arrive at Hobart, leaving again six days later. Two cruisers will be detached to visit New Zealand, where they will remain some time; while the Orlando and two gunboats, being the rest of the squadron, return to Sydney. On arrival here, on October 21, the Wallaroo, Mildura, and Karrakatta will be paid off and go into reserve, while the officers and men will re-commission the Curacoa, Rapid, and Lizard.

THE OPIUM TRAFFIC IN VICTORIA.

[By Telegraph.]
(From our Correspondent.)

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

A deputation of overwhelming force waited on the Premier to-day with regard to the restriction of the opium traffic. The deputation comprised upwards of five hundred ladies and gentlemen. They were received in the board-room of the Lands Department. The deputation included about twenty members of Parliament, several ministers the representatives of various religious organisations. The Chinese missionary, Cheok Hong Cheong, delivered an eloquent address in English, and others strongly urged that stringent measures be taken to rid the colony of the vice of opium-smoking. It was stated that whilst the Chinese population was decreasing the Customs returns showed that just as large a quantity of opium was being imported as formerly, which indicated that its consumption was extending to Europeans. It was also stated that 71 members of the Assembly were pledged to prevent its further use except for medicinal purposes. It was suggested that an enactment similar to the clause in the statute code of California dealing with the opium traffic be put into operation here.

Mr. Munro, in reply, said he was fully conscious of the evils of the traffic. He stated that under the Poison Act opium could only be admitted by legally qualified medical practitioners, so that the traffic going on was illegal. The uselessness of the enactment was shown in 1878, when prosecutions resulted in paltry fines. If the people wanted the matter dealt with in an effectual manner a law should be passed providing high minimum as well as maximum penalties, and smokers as well as vendors should be punished. The growth of poppies, from which opium is manufactured, would have to be prohibited. He promised to consult his colleagues to see what could be done towards bringing before Parliament a stringent and effective law on the subject.

SHOCKING DEATH IN MELBOURNE.

[By Telegraph.]
(From our Correspondent.)

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

Early this afternoon Mrs. Warne, a resident of Bendigo, was run over by a St. Kilda train, and was killed instantly. The body was nearly cut in two. The deceased, who owned a milliner's shop at Bendigo, was a widow, and leaves two grown-up daughters and one son. She had been prominently connected with the temperance movement for 30 years, and was president of the Christian Women's Temperance Union, in which capacity she went to Melbourne to attend the Victorian Alliance Convention.

THE STRATFORD MURDER.

[By Telegraph.]
(From our Correspondent.)

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The victims of the tragedy at Stratford lived at Traralgon about seven years ago, Mrs. Freitag keeping a hotel there. Ross, the murderer, was her deceased sister's stepson, the previous owner of the business living with her to assist. She sold out in a short time and returned to her home at Stratford, where Ross eventually joined the family. When at Traralgon he was known as a reckless character.

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INTERCOLONIAL NEWS.

[By Telegraph.]
(From our Correspondents.)

VICTORIA.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The steamer Bancoora was floated out of dock at half-past 9 this morning, and berthed at the dock pier. It is expected to take six months to refit the vessel.

Recently Edward Bell was sentenced to four years' imprisonment for burglary in Carlton. The evidence on which he was convicted being purely circumstantial, the Attorney-General decided to hold an inquiry into the matter, as a statement has been made which is said to establish Bell's innocence.

St. Mark's new mission hall, in Fitzroy, erected to provide intellectual and physical recreation for the youths of the city, was opened by the Governor this afternoon.

The city property of the late Dr. Beaney was offered by auction to-day by Messrs. Ham, Cromwell House, with a frontage of 47½ft. to Collins-street by 47ft. ⅜in. to Russell-street, was passed in at £13,000, the reserve being £17,500. The only property sold was a two-story brick building, with a frontage of 17ft. 5¼in. to Russell-street, at £154 per foot.

Three samples of core brought up by the diamond drill from the North Magdala Moonlight shaft at Stawell have been tested by the Mining Department, giving yields at the rate of from 5dwt. to nearly 10dwt. per ton. The cores were obtained from a body of stone through which the drill bored over 40ft., some distance ahead of the Magdala cum Moonlight mine, which hitherto has been the most northern extremity on payable ground, and entirely in new country. The result is regarded as of very great importance.

The half-yearly meeting of the Broken Hill Block 5 Company was held to-day, Mr. J. M. Highett, M.L.A., presiding. The directors' report stated that 50,000 new shares were about to be offered to members at 2s. The chairman stated he had received a telegram from the mine stating that the bottom of the shaft was showing more kaolin. The report was adopted, and the directors and auditors were re-elected.

The election of a member of the Assembly for East Bourke took place to-day, the candidates being Robert Harper and John M'Mahon. The final numbers are not yet known, but Mr. Harper's return by a substantial majority is regarded as certain.

QUEENSLAND.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

A goods train, coming down the Little Liverpool Range on the southern and western line this morning, broke into three parts. The second part collided with the first at Grandchester, completely wrecking a goods waggon, and blocking the line for two hours. The driver was severely shaken, but was not otherwise injured.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

On Friday afternoon the Premier, the Hon. T. Playford, will leave Adelaide for Melbourne to transact private business, returning on Tuesday.

Two more charges were brought to-day against Henry Hoffmann who, on the previous day, was committed for trial on several charges of burglary. On both of to-day's charges he was committed for trial.

The hearing of the charges against three ironmoulders, who neglected to comply with their agreement entered into with G. E. Fulton and Co. having been adjourned, negotiations have been going on for an amicable settlement.

NORTHERN TERRITORY.

PALMERSTON, Thursday.

The total imports to the Northern Territory for the quarter ended March 31 amounted to £25,105, and the total exports to £25,665.

TASMANIA.

LAUNCESTON, Thursday.

Mining stocks are improving. The following sales were reported to-day:—Grey Ore, contributing, 3s 5d; Melbourne Proprietary, contributing, 2s 3½d. The New Golden Gate claim at Mathinna crushed 870 tons of quartz for 1072oz. of retorted gold.

NEW ZEALAND.

AUCKLAND, Thursday.

An important discovery of antimony has been made in the Bay of Islands district. The lode has been traced for over a mile.

AGRICULTURAL SHOW.

[By Telegraph.]
(From our Correspondent.)

GRENFELL, Thursday.

The attendance at the show was greatly interfered with by the weather. The day was ushered in by a heavy thunderstorm, and torrents of rain fell during the morning, spoiling what otherwise would have been one of the best shows held here. The display of implements, vehicles, machinery, saddlery, harness, horses, cattle, wheat, and fruits is very good. In blood stock, W. J. Hills' Beeswing took first and champion prize for mare 3 years and over, Newman's Pateranda for stallion 3 years and over, Wood's Brundah for 1 year, Wood's Wirro for 2 years and under, W. J. Hills for filly 1 year and under, D. Weir for colt 1 year and under, Hills for filly ditto. In draught stock Stephen Goodsell's Young Clydesdale carried off the prize for stallion 3 years and over, and W. J. Hills for mare, Joseph Gibb for 2-year-old filly, D. Weir for 1 year old, F. Freidenstein for 1 year, W. J. Crowe for best gelding or fillies 2 years and under, D. Weir pair of draught mares, William Jamieson best fat ox, J. W. Lavender fat cow, Hill and Halls three fat merino wethers, J. W. Lavender three fat crossbred wethers; Victor Burrett, bull, 3 years and over, first and champion; V. Burrett, cow, 3 years and over, first and champion; V. Burrett first for heifer, also for heifer 1 year; John Nowlan, first for Hereford bull, 3 years and over; F. F. Gibson, bull, 2 years; ditto, bull, 1 year; Victor Burrett, cow, 3 years and over; ditto heifer, 2 years and under, Graham Brothers, milch cow; V. Burrett, best short-horn bull. In sheep, John M'Kenzie took the prizes for merino ram two-tooth and under, also for hogget ram, four-tooth ewe, hogget ewe, four-tooth ewe, also M'Nevin and Hinchcliffe's specials; H. W. Smith for two-tooth ewe first and champion for four-tooth ram, special for best merino ram; J. W. Lavender, for six-tooth ewe; W. J. Hills, two-tooth ewe, first and champion, also for ram any age, ditto ewe; W. J. Hills, heavy hack; R. Jamieson, light ditto; trotting horse in buggy, Hill and Halls; light harness horse, Hill and Halls; pair of ditto, H. Keys; ladies' hack, James Mackenzie; pony stallion, John Newman's Mahdi; brood mare, Newman's Minnie Warren; coaching stallion, Geo. Styles' Duke; hunter, John Mackenzie; hackney mare, Jas. Mackenzie; best hack, W. H. Hosie; ladies' hack, W. Jamieson; lady rider, Mrs. Regan; roller flour, Young Mill Company; stone ditto, Ingrey and Mathison; wheat, Jas. Gibb; maize, Jas. Piows; potatoes, Jas. Crowe; saddlery and harness, William Ley; boots, G. Cousins; single buggy, Rogan and Sons; double ditto, Cropper and Lansdown; also for best collection of vehicles and agricultural implements, J. and C. Howard.

MR. NEILD'S LEGAL REFORM BILL.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—As one of the limbs of the legal profession, and yet, alas, not one of the inner circle, I think that not only should the people, but more especially the law clerks, of the colony, hail with delight the radical reform which Mr. Neild's bill proposes. How hard it seems that a man, having given the best years of his life to the study of the law, should be debarred from ever becoming a solicitor for the simple reason that he has not served under articles for a term of five years and paid a large premium for the privilege of so doing, and yet I, being one amongst the many, who have been in all branches of the law for many years as managing clerk, and fully capable of passing the final examination, find that I am debarred from so doing because I have not paid a premium of 200 or 300 guineas and sat in a solicitor's office for five years "under articles."

In a democratic country like New South Wales, and where the working classes are now beginning to establish their right to enter into all professions without being fettered by University examinations, &c., I certainly think that where a man shows himself capable of passing the examinations for "pass" in any profession, he should be entitled to present himself for the same without the necessity of any prior classical examination. I understand that in New Zealand no articles are necessary, but that a man having the necessary legal knowledge may present himself for examination, and if found qualified, permitted to practice. Mr. Neild has taken the proper step in the legal reform of the colony, and I not only trust that he will receive the full support of the Lower House, but that the Upper House will see fit to give it their approval and thus show that although they are a nominee and not elective House, yet they have the interests of the people generally at heart.

I am, &c.,
August 27. DIGEST.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—The 87th sec. of the English Judicature Act, 1873, abolished the useless terms "attorney" and "proctor," both being merged in "solicitor." Why should not a similar course be adopted in this colony? "Attorney" would thus apply only to a person appointed under a power of attorney. I am, &c.,
August 27. SOLICITOR.

The sales at the Royal Academy Exhibition have this year proved far below the average of past seasons. The admissions have also been much less than usual. A similar decline is noticeable in most of the minor exhibitions.

AUSTRALASIAN PARLIAMENTS.

[By Telegraph.]
(From our Correspondents.)

VICTORIA.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The Legislative Assembly to-day went into committee without delay to deal with the remaining clauses of the Federation Draft Bill. Several of the postponed clauses were agreed to without amendment. On clause 6 in chapter 3, which enables the Queen in any case in which the public interests of the Commonwealth, or of any State, or any other of the Queen's dominions are concerned, to grant leave to appeal to herself in council. Mr. Wrixon moved the omission of the restrictive words, arguing that the right of appeal should be retained as a bond of union, and because English Judges being removed from local feelings and prejudices were likely to give a broader and more satisfactory decision than could be obtained in the colonial courts.

Mr. Deakin opposed the amendment, holding that the Judges here were more competent to decide questions which depended often on a knowledge of local circumstances. He also spoke of the expense of appealing.

Mr. Shiels, in opposition to the amendment severely criticised the constitution of the Privy Council, using the term "hack" Judges. The amendment was negatived by 46 to 26, and the clause was agreed to.

Mr. Deakin moved the insertion of a new clause enabling any State to suspend the operation of the Federal tariff for five years.

Mr. Munro and Mr. Gillies objected to the proposal, but Mr. Trenwith approved of it.

Mr. Williams strongly condemned the proposed clause, and characterised Mr. Deakin's action as inconsistent with his professions as a federationist. The Federation delegates were much to blame for not acting unitedly, as they had prevented the passage of the bill. Had such proposition come from any other colony he could have understood it, but it was most dangerous coming from Victoria.

Mr. Ferguson held that Victoria had more than any of the other colonies to gain from federation, as she wanted a larger market for her manufactures.

Mr. Best strongly opposed Mr. Deakin's proposal, and regretted that he had submitted it. Victoria had nothing to fear as to the Federal policy, and in any case the suspension of the Federal tariff tariff for five years would do no good to any colony.

After further discussion the proposal was negatived by 35 to 30 votes, amidst continued cheers and counter cheers. Mr. Wrixon moved that clause 8, chapter 5, providing for the appointment of State Governors by the State Parliaments, be struck out. An elected Governor, he said, would be the strongest political partisan in the State. After some discussion the clause was struck out by 33 to 24 votes. An amendment submitted by Sir Bryan O'Loghlen on the first section of chapter 6, excepting New Zealand from admission to the federation, was agreed to by 38 to 20 votes. All the other sections were carried, and the bill was reported, but on division it was decided to recommit several clauses. Sir Bryan O'Loghlen's amendment on clause 9, part 2,—"That both Houses of Parliament sit together to elect the Senate" was rejected. On clause 13, chapter 4, dealing with the consolidation of the public debt, Mr. Deakin moved an amendment making it imperative on the commonwealth to take over the public debt. The amendment was withdrawn on the understanding that the question should be fully discussed on the report. The Bill was reported with amendments. The House adjourned at 20 minutes past 12.

QUEENSLAND.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

In the Assembly to-day Mr. Cowley gave notice for the introduction of a bill for the purchase of lands suitable for immediate settlement and for facilitating settlement thereon. The discussion of a number of motions by private members occupied the afternoon sitting. The debate on the land question was then resumed, several members speaking on each side, but nothing of special importance occurred, there being no specific motion before the House. The discussion was continued throughout the evening, and was brought to a close a few minutes before midnight, when the House adjourned till Tuesday.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

In the Assembly to-day Mr. Jenkins, in answer to a question, said the Government had decided to set aside aboriginal reserves in the Northern Territory. The House decided to adjourn over Tuesday, on account of that day being Eight-hour Day. The Budget debate was resumed in Committee of Supply, and was again adjourned. An important discussion arose upon the Agricultural Holdings Bill in Committee. The earlier parts of the bill were postponed, so that a test vote might be taken upon part 4, which provides for the purchase of their holdings by tenants. Though the Government offered to modify this provision, which was the most important one in the bill, by increasing the security of the landlord, the House rejected part 4 by 28 to 13. Further progress of the measure was deferred until next week. Sir J. C. Bray moved the second reading of the bill providing for the appointment of a Standing Committee on Public Works. The debate was adjourned. The Legislative Council's amendments in the Tariff Revision Bill, with reference to the retrospective effects of increased duties, were rejected, the Speaker having ruled that the Council were within their rights according to the practice of the House and the interpretation given to the compact of 1857, the point whether the Council could amend the Tariff Bill instead of suggesting amendments was not further pressed.

In the Council the Education Bill was further considered in committee. A long discussion took place on the definition of voters for election boards of advice. It was suggested that the municipal ratepayers and also electors for the assembly should be adopted as the basis, but it was decided on division to give voting powers to parents of children attending schools. A lengthy debate ensued on a new clause proposed by Dr. Magarey to put Bible reading in school hours and make it compulsory on teachers to give it. The clause was carried by 10 to 6. Mr. O'Loghlin proposed to require from teachers a profession of faith in some form of Christian belief before being allowed to read the Bible in schools. This was negatived. The bill was reported, and the Council then adjourned.

TASMANIA.

LAUNCESTON, Thursday.

In the Legislative Assembly, Mr. Clarke moved the second reading of a bill to submit the Commonwealth of Australia Bill to the people. He said that he was following the lines of Queensland, believing that it was the proper course, while that of the Victorian Parliament was wrong. The bill provides for the election of a convention of 50 members by the House of Assembly electoral roll, to consider the great Commonwealth Bill, and till appointed, seven delegates to attend any future Convention. The other two delegates, Messrs. Bird and Brown followed, and after a lengthy discussion the bill was committed and agreed to with the exception of several postponed clauses, dealing with the machinery of election. It is proposed also to discuss the Commonwealth Bill and place all suggested amendments in an unattached schedule, which will then be submitted to the Convention.

NEW ZEALAND.

WELLINGTON, Thursday.

The Land Income Assessment Bill has passed the Upper House.

THE GOSFORD ELECTORATE.

[By Telegraph.]
(From our Correspondent.)

GOSFORD, Thursday.

The proposed boundaries of the Gosford electorate in the Redistribution of Seats Bill has been received with much dissatisfaction. The proposal considerably increases the area of the electorate, which at present is considered large. The electors are about to bring the matter under the notice of Sir Henry Parkes.

SUDDEN DEATHS.

[By Telegraph.]
(From our Correspondent.)

LITHGOW, Thursday.

Two very sudden deaths occurred near here recently, one that of Thomas M'Aviney, an old resident and farmer of Long Swamp, and the other that of Bridget Kelly, a girl of 18, who dropped dead yesterday afternoon, at her father's residence, Upper Run, on the Caves road. In the former case a magisterial inquiry resulted in a verdict of death from natural causes, and in the latter an inquiry is being held to-day.

COUNTRY NEWS.

[By Telegraph.]
(From our Correspondents.)

BATHURST, Thursday.

A sale of property in the residuary estate of the late Thomas Kite was held to-day at the Royal Hotel by F. Oakes and Co., and the prices realised are considered satisfactory. Bonnor's store in William-street brought £1200, and the vacant land in outside parts of the city realised £2 18s per foot; country properties from £6 11s to £7 5s 6d per acre.

BERRY, Thursday.

A good many men are employed on this end of the Kiama-Nowra railway. Pile-driving and bridge-building is in full swing. The wet season seriously interfered with the work and earnings of the men.

CAMDEN, Thursday.

Complaints are made of the number of Indian hawkers flooding the district. These hawkers are supposed to be sent by some firms in Sydney. It is thought that the Government should step in and prevent the wholesale issue of hawking licenses to these foreigners.

Mr. J. T. Sharkey, civil engineer, was interviewed at the council meeting last night re the water supply for Camden. He guaranteed to carry out the work as per his report at the sum he mentioned, and stated that permission can be obtained to get water from the Kenny Hill Canal free of charge.

CLIFTON, Thursday.

The coal trade throughout the district is fairly brisk. Port Bellambi reports having shipped over 4000 tons last week. Kembla, South Bulli, and Austinmer collieries are working full time, and South Clifton is working day and night in order to open up the mine as soon as possible, and be in readiness for a large output within a few months, when the new machinery is expected to arrive from England.

COOTAMUNDRA, Thursday.

The agricultural show was well patronised to-day, despite the dull and showery weather. There were about 4000 persons on the ground.

DUBBO, Thursday.

Great regret is expressed here at the death of the Government Geologist, who was well known here in mining matters, and was universally liked for his ready and courteous assistance in giving information on mining matters of the district.

Thomas Baird's Dubbo bullock took first prize at the Melbourne Show for fat ox. It was bred at Cluny and fattened at Dubbo on natural grasses on the Macquarie Flats.

The first load of wool this season came to the railway station yesterday, being from Berida station.

EMMAVILLE, Thursday.

A reunion of the Vegetable Creek Progress Committee took place at Grauley's Hotel last night. The most important discussion related to the following resolutions, which were passed:—"That a bridge be erected across the Severn at the Strathbogie crossing;" "That a protest be entered against the transfer of the Deepwater Creek-road from Glen Innes to the Tenterfield district;" and "That the trustees to be appointed for the local tank are to be in a working position before the summer sets in."

GULGONG, Thursday.

At the council meeting last night six tenders for the erection of a town hall were opened. The lowest was £2006. As this is above the estimated cost, the consideration of the matter was postponed for a fortnight. The council's instructions are that the building is not to exceed £1500. There is great disappointment at the loss of time, as probably the plans and specifications will have to be altered.

The contractor for the butter factory has nearly finished the building. The machinery will arrive in a few days.

LISMORE, Thursday.

The Unara dairy factory, situated on the railway line, near Bexhill, was formally opened yesterday, in the presence of a large number of people. The factory was named by Mrs. S. Cooke. Speeches were made by several visitors. The factory cost £1400.

The proceeds of the Church of England bazaar amounted to £259 11s 4d. Other amounts to come in, it is thought, will leave about this sum clear.

MITTAGONG, Thursday.

A branch of the Young Men's Christian Association has been formed here. The following officers were elected:—President, Mr. James Beaumont, J.P.; vice-presidents, Revs. F. C. Williams, C. E. James Gondie (Presbyterian), K. A. Corner (Wesleyan), Alderman W. Richards; treasurer, John C. E. Murphy; secretaries, Alfred White and William Langley.

MOSS VALE, Thursday.

A special general meeting at the School of Arts has unanimously endorsed the action of the committee of management in deciding to erect a new building, and steps will be taken to commence the work immediately.

Dr. Hollis and Messrs. Rae and Bavister, Ms.L.A., are announced to address a meeting of the labour party here on Saturday evening.

The increasing popularity of this district as a summer resort is strikingly evidenced by several places let for the season having been already taken. Judge Owen is fencing an orchard previous to building a house near Jennen Bullen, and Sir Julian Salomons, it is understood, has purchased a site for a building near the Vice-regal residence at Hill View.

NEWCASTLE, Thursday.

Daniel Smith Miller, one of the defendants in the illicit still case, paid his fine of £250 at 11 o'clock this morning, and was then released.

ORANGE, Thursday.

An inquest was held by the coroner touching the death of Dr. Rooney, who died suddenly at Lewis Ponds. A verdict was returned that deceased died from heart disease. He was aged 42 years, and was a native of Ireland. He leaves a widow, but no children.

SOFALA, Thursday.

The remains of a man named Bernard Callagaan, who was lost between Sofala and Ilford, 14 months ago, were discovered on Monday, about six miles from Sofala.

TUENA, Thursday.

Arbor day was not commemorated here. The ground is not adapted for tree-growing, being too rocky. The Departmental lecture was merely read and explained by the teacher.

WAGGA, Thursday.

There is much regret in town at the demise of Mr. C. S. Wilkinson, Government Geologist. The deceased's family were resident here for some years.

At the police court at Carrathool, William Gannon, sen., on two offences of sly grog selling, was fined respectively, £50 and £30.

WEST MAITLAND, Thursday.

A concert in aid of the Pierce Memorial Nurses' Home was given in the School of Arts last evening to an overflowing audience. The performers consisted of leading lady and gentleman amateurs, and Miss Annis Montague (Mrs. Chas. Turner), who also rendered a couple of songs. Miss Wolfe was the chief promoter of the concert, which will result in a handsome amount being added to the funds of the institution.

WILCANNIA, Thursday.

The steamer Rodney left for Bourke yesterday. The Emily Jane left Menindie down stream yesterday. The Success left Pooncarie for Menindie today. The Florence Annie and Excelsior arrived at Bourke from Wilcannia yesterday. The Lady of the Lake arrived at Bourke from Brewarrina. The Moira passed Tilpa down stream yesterday.

THE SHEARING SEASON.

[By Telegraph.]
(From our Correspondent.)

LOUTH, Thursday.

Shearing at Dunlop, Toorale, Winbar, and Kallara stations is now progressing satisfactorily. When the roll was first called at Kallara the rouseabouts refused to commence work. They were then dismissed. The following day more than the number required applied for work. A great number of men are travelling along the river unable to get work, owing to the large number of free labourers being put on at the principal sheds before the unionists went to work. At Eldorado they have employed another batch of men in place of those who refused to sign the agreement. Wuttagoona station, where a first-class woolshed has just been completed, starts shearing on Monday next. The steamers are busy all along the river getting the wool away. The Emu and barge passed up for Bourke yesterday. The Wandering Jew, from South Australia, arrived here this morning. The Rob Roy is expected to-night from Bourke. The Florence Annie leaves Bourke to-morrow for Louth.

WAGGA, Thursday.

Shearing commences at Toogimbie station on September 1. Work is going on satisfactorily at Gelingroe. Mundarlo will make a start about October 1.

The district secretary of the Pastoralists' Union, Mr. Mitchell, states that the roll was called at Mr. Andrew Leitch's Berry Jerry station on Tuesday, when over the number of men required were present. Shearing commenced on Wednesday morning with 30 of Wolseley's machines. Pomingalarna, also full-handed, starts on the 1st September. Both these sheds shear under the new agreement. Over 30 other stations in the district commence next month, all adopting the new agreement. Shearers are plentiful.

THE AUSTRALIAN MERCANTILE LOAN AND GUARANTEE COMPANY.

[By Telegraph.]
(From our Correspondent.)

NEWCASTLE, Thursday.

The adjourned meeting of depositors in the local branch of the Australian Mercantile Loan and Guarantee Company, Limited, was held at O'Connell's Hotel to-night, Mr. Frederick Styman in the chair. About 40 depositors were present. Mr. R. Peacocke, manager of the Newcastle branch, attended, and made a lengthy statement as to the position of the company. It was decided to await the result of the meeting of shareholders in Sydney on Monday next before taking further action.

LATE MINING.

[By Telegraph.]
(From our Correspondent.)

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The twelfth half-yearly meeting of the Broken Hill South Silver-mining Company was held to-day, Mr. A. E. Clarke presiding. In moving the adoption of the report the chairman said the company was in better circumstances than ever. He was quite sure there were dividends in the near future. They had had a deal of trouble with their smelters, and about water, but all difficulties had been overcome. The motion was unanimously carried. Mr. Highett, who had returned from a recent visit to the mine, spoke very hopefully of its prospects. The meeting then closed.

THE WEATHER.

[By Telegraph.]
(From our Correspondents.)

BERRY, Thursday.

The exceedingly fine weather which prevailed for some time has given way to rain. If followed by warm weather we will have an early spring. The rain was welcome, as owing to the strong westerly winds ploughing operations were difficult.

CAMDEN, Thursday.

Rain fell for several hours this morning, and will do the crops no harm. There will be a magnificent spring.

CLIFTON, Thursday.

The weather during the last week has been dry and windy; a thunderstorm, however, passed over this morning, accompanied with several showers. The wind has now changed to a fresh southerly, and more rain is threatening.

CROOKWELL, Thursday.

Rain began to fall about 4 o'clock this morning, continuing heavily for three or four hours, and causing the creeks to rise. There is every appearance of a wet night.

DUBBO, Thursday.

Heavy rain fell here last night. There was thunder and much lightning.

FORBES, Thursday.

Half an inch of rain fell before 9 o'clock this morning, and has continued since. It is still misty and showing signs of a further downpour.

Steady rain has continued to fall all day, and looks likely to continue.

GILGANDRA, Thursday.

Light rain fell all night, 19 points being registered. It is now raining steadily.

GOSFORD, Thursday.

A change in the weather occurred this morning. Rain commenced to fall, and continued at intervals during the day. A very heavy thunderstorm passed over the town, accompanied by vivid lightning, this afternoon. The weather has now cleared.

GULGONG, Thursday.

The weather is mild and springlike, with occasional showers. There was a heavy thunderstorm last night.

GOULBURN, Thursday.

Another change in the weather took place last night. Rain is again falling.

LITHGOW, Thursday.

More than half an inch of rain fell last night. To-day more showers fell with a light fall of hail. To-night it is cloudy and threatening.

LOUTH, Thursday.

A very heavy squall passed over Louth last night. The wind blew at a terrific pace, and the rain then set in and continued steadily all the morning.

MITTAGONG, Thursday.

After a fortnight's grand weather rain fell during the night in copious showers.

MOSS VALE, Thursday.

The weather is unsettled. Heavy rains fell on Wednesday night.

ORANGE, Thursday.

The weather is cold and unsettled. A violent storm blew last night, accompanied by thunder, lightning, and heavy showers.

ST. MARYS, Thursday.

Heavy rain set in here early this morning, registering 67 points. It will do much good to the late crops and spring feed.

TUENA, Thursday.

A heavy thunderstorm passed over here early this morning, accompanied by heavy rain, which still continues to fall.

WAGGA, Thursday.

The weather is splendid. The river is falling.

WILCANNIA, Thursday.

One hundred and three points of rain fell here during last night. The weather now appears to have cleared up.

ACCIDENT TO A RAILWAY FIREMAN.

[By Telegraph.]
(From our Correspondent.)

GOULBURN, Thursday.

A fireman named King, who was on the down express last night, met with an accident just as the train arrived at the station. He was attending to the front part of the engine, and the sudden stoppage threw him off. He fell on his head, and was unconscious for about an hour. He was seen by a doctor, and afterwards taken to Sydney. He is badly injured.

PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED.

The fifth (September) number of the already popular "Handbook of Australian Horticulture," by H. A. James, F.R.H.S. (Turner and Henderson, Sydney), is already to hand, and in point of general interest and special value is fully up to the standard of the previous numbers. The frontispiece is the usual cleverly-printed coloured flower piece by Signor Guglielmo Antoniello, showing a group of Narcissi of different varieties. The letter-press deals with the interesting subject of the rose and its cultivation—hybrid perpetual roses, climbing banksia, and Austrian briar roses, moss and Bourbon roses, and so on—illustrated with specimens of famous blooms. Then comes something about the cultivation of roses in pots, and it is hardly necessary to say to those familiar with the progress of this valuable publication so far that Mr. James spares no pains to make his explanations practical and clear, and to give his readers the fullest information relating to the proper care and culture of their plants. Ornamental grasses and grass-like plants are next treated, with illustrations and copious explanations on the same lines; and in a calendar for the month the author has brought together many seasonable hints and some practical advice for the benefit of the horticulturist. As the publication of the handbook goes on its utility becomes increasingly manifest. It may be cordially recommended to the attention of all interested in the subject of which it treats.

"Vindin's Philatelic Monthly" for August has also been sent us (Brooks, Sydney). It contains a portrait and the usual information relating to stamp-collecting and stamp history, with other details of interest to enthusiastic philatelists.

A copy of the sixth edition of the "Australian Builder's Price Book," by Charles Mayes (George Robertson, Melbourne), has reached us. The information in this useful publication has been largely added to, and the index increased from 6½ to 10 pages. A special new feature is the information relating to artesian boring, and the prices for materials and labour are quoted as they stood at the time of publication.

THE CITY ORGANIST AND ORGAN.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Re the discussion as to the propriety or otherwise of Mr. Wiegand's proposed visit to Melbourne, may I be permitted to point out that by the recent recitals this talented gentleman has more than earned his entire year's salary already, and that no citizen should object to his being permitted by the City Council a short holiday, even though he purposes giving two or three recitals in Melbourne for his own benefit, or by way of defraying holiday expenses.

"Exchange is no robbery," and I am sure thousands in Sydney who have heard Mr. D. Lee's excellent performances on the Melbourne Town Hall organ would be glad to listen to that gentleman's manipulation of the Sydney one, and pay the usual charges. Might I suggest that such reciprocity periodically would be acceptable to very many in Sydney. Mr. Wiegand's playing is admittedly very fine; but there are numbers in Sydney who would not object to hearing another good player occasionally.

August 27. I am, &c., M. HUME.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Allow me to add my protest to the monstrous treatment being meted out to the long-suffering citizens of Sydney. We have paid for the organ, and we are responsible for the organist's salary, yet the one is shut up and the other spirited off to Melbourne without apology, rhyme, or reason, and we may cool our heels at the Town Hall doors until it pleases our council graciously to let us in to enjoy that for which we have paid. We are, by our liberality of taste and hearty appreciation of genuine artists and talents attracting to our shores not merely good musicians, but some of the most brilliant and celebrated organist, and musicians of the present day; yet our civic authorities, who have in their keeping one of the grandest organs in the world, seem to ignore them and the common courtesy and hospitality which they have a right to expect to receive and the citizens have a right to demand the city fathers shall give to such distinguished visitors. Among them we have had Mr. Idle and the organist of York Minster, and now Mr. W. H. Jude, and although such good men have been and are amongst us, yet the organ is practically "tabu" to them, and the citizens are denied the right to hear such men, for what reason no one seems to know. There is a ridiculous notion abroad among many people that none but a specially imported expert could play the organ without doing it injury. Such is a palpable absurdity, as the veriest tyro among organists knows. Any organist could play on it, the proper or acceptable rendition of organ music being simply a matter of taste and genius. Unless a person were to deliberately and wilfully break or injure a portion of the instrument immediately within his reach, there can be no fear, and no organist or person other than a lunatic or malicious individual would do so. The builders themselves could only say that much. If it were otherwise, then the council have squandered money on an unreliable machine, and the citizens have a right to demand that the builders make it as thoroughly reliable as such an organ can and should be. Who, after hearing Mr. Wiegand's rendering of Mendelssohn's "Wedding March," Batiste's lovely "Communion in G," Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus," Rossini's "Pro Peccatis," and Bach's "Fugue in G Minor" (given as an encore), on Saturday night last, and Mr. Jude's pathetically and intelligently rendered Bach's No. 1 Prelude, and also portion of a Fugue by Bach, at his entertainment on Wednesday evening—who, I say, would not be delighted at the prospect of hearing such a player as Mr. Jude manipulate our grand organ at a set of specially-arranged recitals at popular prices? He made Bach not only intelligible, but also produced a feeling of regret that he contented himself with giving just those two short examples instead of a few more "of that ilk," and he sent many away delighted with Bach, instead of feeling bored by a Bach fugue played more like a dull *moto perpetuo*, or organ exercise. I trust our worthy Mayor will not rest until the jealously-locked doors around the console of our grand organ are thrown open to worthy organists, local or visiting, and such an incentive be given to them that they may be glad to educate us by bestowing upon us some of their own inherent love for the good, rich, and beautiful in music, and through the means of our grand organ. I am, &c.,
Aug. 27. ENQUIRER.

SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

THE TURF.

The heavy rain yesterday forenoon was responsible for the postponement of the Canterbury Park trotting and race meeting until Wednesday next.

The Jester and The Magistrate were withdrawn from the A. J. C. Derby yesterday.

Licensed trainers requiring admission for extra boys to the saddling paddock at Randwick on Saturday must apply for tickets to the secretary of Tattersall's Club before 4 p.m. to-day, after which hour none will be issued.

Hon. D. S. Wallace's team, consisting of Megaphone, Bendigo, Werong, and Aster, arrived by mail train yesterday morning in good order, and are located in their old quarters at Lower Randwick.

Owners of trotting stock, ponies, and galloways are reminded that nominations for the following events included in the programme for the mixed meeting to be held at Rosehill on September 5, must be lodged with the secretary, Mr. G. B. Rowley, before 5 p.m. to-day:—Flying Handicap, a handicap of 30 sovs. (14·2), 5 furlongs; Pony Handicap of 30 sovs. (13·3), 4 furlongs; Clyde Handicap of 30 sovs. (14·1), 5½ furlongs; Time Handicap Trot of 50 sovs., 2 miles; September Handicap of 35 sovs. (14), 5 furlongs; and Galloway Handicap of 75 sovs., second horse 5 sovs. from the prize (14·2). The usual entrance fee of one sov. must accompany each nomination.

Mr. E. G. Froom, secretary of the Sydney Driving Park Club, will receive entries up to 4 p.m. on Monday next for the following items on the card in connection with the meeting to be held on September 5 at Moore Park:—Park Handicap of 30 sovs. (14.1), 5 furlongs; Bylong Handicap of 25 sovs. (13.3), ½ mile and 50 yards; Sovereign Handicap Hurdle Race of 30 sovs. (14.2), winner to be sold for 1 sov., 1¼ mile; Ete Ete Handicap of 25 sovs. (13.2), ½ mile; Club Handicap of 25 sovs. (14), ½ mile and 50 yards; and Flying Handicap of 40 sovs. (14.2), 5 furlongs. The conditions appear elsewhere in this issue.

The weekly pony racing and trotting meeting will be run through at Lillie Bridge to-morrow evening. A race for Shetland and other small ponies (11.2 and under) that have never won a race will be included in next week's programme; catch weights and amateur riders.

Before the rain set in yesterday morning Pelham and Marabo put in an appearance on the track at Randwick, and were sent for about three-quarters of a mile at a good solid pace. The speedy Kilmore was rattled along for a mile and three-quarters, while the others of Mr. Herbert's team were treated to average work. Old Strephon covered a mile in his usual quiet style, and Volney went particularly well, and is evidently on improving lines. Woodpecker was extended for a mile, and Chatham and Centaur covered once round very creditably. Victor Hugo did a sharp trip alone, while Theodore got home, apparently on sufferance, from Jack at the end of a circuit. The Bonce pulled up weary towards the finish of a mile, and Bradley had the better of Pippan over six furlongs. Thelma and Sir William went through their usual tasks in a creditable manner, and so did Maud, Bella, Bonnie Lad, Cremorne, Wandsworth, Transparent, and Sophietta. Melos, who is in great trim for the time, went about a mile and a half, assisted for the greater part of the journey by Ethelbert, while Gatling went once round in great form. Piecrust showed to advantage with Bengal over a mile, and Stromboli and Albemarle got through a satisfactory gallop. Madallion easily disposed of Rover and L'bel in a once round gallop, and although Palliser joined in for the last quarter of a mile he was of no use to the New Zealand crack. Dilisk and Moraine put in a strong once round, and Sunshine appeared to have the better of Warrego at the end of a good working gallop. The Markee and Little Bernie were mated for a mile and three furlongs, and the former got home in front. Wilga performed a strong solo, while Marvel was pretty well extended over a mile and a-half. Bungebah and Scots Grey did once round in great form, and so did Paris, who seems to improve daily. Sulphide and Oxide got through a good working gallop, and among others that worked were Impulse, Yowi, Euroka, Marigold, Letta Lind, Reynard, Gipsy Belle, Kelvin, Faux Pas, The Mason, E. K., Sovereign, Empire, Corvette, The Swell, Be, Dandy Dick, Silvershot, Cobar, Blenheim, Deuman, Blythwood, Welcome, and Mantilla.

The annual races under the management of the Albion Park Turf Club took place on the local racecourse on Wednesday, when favourable weather prevailed, the attendance, which included a large number from the metropolis, was large, and the sport throughout of an interesting character. Business commenced with the Opening Handicap, 6 furlongs, for which seven started, and Amusement, 8st 2lb, had the call in the market at 6 to 4, while Castaway, 7st 10lb, who had the benefit of Moran in the saddle, was next in demand at 3 to 1. Castaway and Amusement occupied prominent positions from the start, but rounding the home turn Little Bess, 7st, joined the pair, and a good finish resulted in a win for Castaway by a head from the mare, while Amusement was a length off third. A field of eight took part in the Trial Stakes, 1 mile, for which Rosehill and Nolan divided the honours of favouritism at 3 to 1 each, while long odds could be had about any other. The favourite pair cut out the greater part of the work, but Nolan ran off when rounding the home turn, leaving Rosestem and Rosehill to fight out the battle, and the former won by half a length, while Arbitrator was a similar distance off third. The Novel Race, 6 furlongs, brought out five runners, and Echo, 8st 2lb, was made favourite at 6 to 4 on, but he could only get second to Reu Prix, 8st 9lb, who made nearly all his own running, and won by a head, with Zury, 8st 13lb, in the other place. Half a dozen left the enclosure for the Macquarie Handicap, 1¼ mile, with Crusoe and Martindale, equal favourites at 2 to 1, 3 to 1 was accepted about Ida, and 4 to 1 could be got against any other. The race was never in doubt, for Crusoe, 8st 3lb, led from the jump to the judge's box, while The Slug, 6st 10lb, and Ida, 7st 5lb, filled the other places. The Albion Park Stakes, 7 furlongs, attracted a field of six, and Bridgemint, 7st, was made a strong favourite at 2 to 1 on, but after showing the way until fairly in the home stretch, Kildare, 8st 7lb, came through, and won by a length, while Crookshanks, 7st 4lb, occupied the third position. The day's sport was brought to a conclusion with the Flying Handicap, 6 furlongs, for which 14 started, and Brown Bess was backed down to 2 to 1, while Rosestem was next in request at 6 to 1. Fleetwing led to the home turn, where she was joined by Little Bess, and the contest was fought out between the pair, the latter proving victorious by a head. A protest on the ground that the winner had been ridden by an unlicensed jockey was entered, but after consideration was dismissed.

LILLIE BRIDGE PONY RACES.

The following handicaps have been declared for the meeting to be held to-morrow evening:—

Midget Handicap (12)—3 furlongs.
Nana, 7st 8lb; Bonnie Lad, 7st 6lb; Rosebud, 7st 2lb; Jenny, 7st 2lb; Sunbeam, 7st; Fedora, 6st 12lb; Malta, 6st 7lb; Cleopatra, 6st 4lb.

Glebe Handicap (13.2)—5 furlongs.
Florrie, 8st 4lb; Memory, 8st 2lb; Estelle, 7st 12lb; Little Carbine, 7st 6lb; Lettie, 7st 4lb; Veto, 7st 2lb; Mick, 7st; Daniel, 6st 7lb.

Toxteth Handicap (13.0)—½ mile.
Hester, 8st 10lb; Sandfly, 7st 10lb; Villewood, 7st 8lb; Dante, 7st 4lb; Galatea, 7st 2lb; Greygown, 6st 7lb; Nymph, 6st 4lb; Oxonian, 6st; Tom Tartar, 6st.

London Handicap (12.2)—½ mile.
Nymph, 8st 3lb; Sailor, 8st; Tom Brown, 7st 12lb; Boori, 7st; Little Rose, 7st; Playboy, 6st 12lb; Gibraltar, 6st 7lb; Veno, 6st.

Galloway Trot (14.2)—1½ mile.
Deception, scratch; Primus, scratch; Maud, 5 seconds behind; Gawky, 5 seconds behind; Tom, 5 seconds behind; Narrabeen, 6 seconds behind; Scagull, 10 seconds behind; Nea, 17 seconds behind; Tom Spring, 22 seconds behind.

[By Telegraph.]
(From our Correspondents.)

VICTORIA COURSING CLUB.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The Victoria Coursing Club commenced a meeting on the oval near Diggers' Rest yesterday, when the preliminary stages of the stakes mentioned were got through. The weather was pleasant, and some good coursing was witnessed, though the hares did not run so strongly as usual.

The Southern Cup.
First Round.

Pioneer beat Graceful	Restitution beat Gelert
Faugh - a - Ballagh beat Heiress	Dawson beat Calculator
The Roe beat Resolution	Loyalist beat Stanbury
Garryowen beat Landsborough	King Lear beat Windfall
Her Ladyship beat Rent Day	Waratah beat Astronomer
Quiver beat Sans Mariner	Warpath beat Observer
Bessant beat Red Hind II.	Hartwell beat Wild Dick
	Wakeful beat Kinsman
	Windsor beat Socialist

Second Round.

Faugh-a-Ballagh beat Pioneer	Dawson beat Loyalist
The Roe beat Garryowen	Waratah beat King Lear
Quiver beat Her Ladyship	Hartwell beat Warpath
Bessant beat Restitution	Wakeful beat Windsor

Hopetoun Stakes.
First Round.

Silence beat Royal Seal	Hammerlock beat Hennessy II.
Wallace beat Sarsfield	Rhododendron beat Jean Armour
Wentworth beat Assyrian	Fair Maid beat Leopold
Lady beat Wantwood	Good Luck beat Colleen Bawn
Steedwell beat Hardfate	Rhododendrace beat Satirist
Fair Girl beat Kind Lass	Henry beat Alice Hawthorn
Royne beat Sa Rana	
Belgravia beat Bischoff	
Hermione beat Bluerock	
Royal Rose beat Wakem	

Second Round.

Silence beat Wallace	Rhododendron beat Hammerlock
Wentworth beat Lady	Good Luck beat Fair Maid
Steedwell beat Fair Girl	Rhododendrace beat Henry
Belgravia beat Royne	
Hermione beat Royal Rose	

The Victoria Coursing Club's Southern Cup Meeting was brought to a conclusion to-day. Rain fell the previous night, but to-day the weather was delightful.

The Southern Cup.
Third Round.

The Roe beat Faugh-a-Ballagh	Dawson beat Waratah
Quiver beat Bessant	Wakeful beat Hartwell

Fourth Round.

Quiver beat The Roe	Wakeful beat Dawson

Final Course.
Mr. G. Whittingham's Wakeful beat Mr. F. D. Kenyon's Quiver and won the Cup.

The Hopetoun Stakes.
Third Round.

Wentworth beat Silence	Belgravia beat Steedwell
Hermione beat Rhododendron	Rhododenrace beat Good Luck

Fourth Round.

Wentworth beat Belgravia	Rhododenrace beat Hermione

Final Course.
Messrs. A. and W. Robertson's Rhododenrace beat Mr. J. Weir's Wentworth and won the stakes.

Supplementary Stakes.
Final Round.
Mr. J. G. White's Warpath beat Mr. J. Elery's Assyrian and won the stake.

Supplementary Stakes.
Mr. F. D. Kenyon's Rent-Day and Messrs. A. and W. Robertson's Restitution divided the stake.

THE CHAMPION BILLIARD-PLAYER.

NEWCASTLE, Thursday.

John Roberts, the champion billiard-player, gave another exhibition at the Olympic Hall last night. There was a good attendance. Roberts played a match with W. Weston, and the latter had 500 out of 1000 up. Roberts caught him at 620, and made good breaks of 146, 174, 182, 99, and 86. Weston's best break was only 30. Roberts went out while Weston's score was 631.

ABERDEEN RACE MEETING.

WEST MAITLAND, Thursday.

The following are the weights for the Aberdeen Race Meeting, which is to take place on Saturday next:—

The Opening Handicap—6 furlongs.
British Belle, 10st; Yallaroi, 9st 7lb; Toby, 9st 1lb; Pierott, 9st; Huggahmuggah, 8st 13lb; Marquee, 8st 12lb; Schoolmaster, 8st 12lb; Gundabri, 8st 10lb; Golddust, 8st 5lb; Hurricane, 7st 10lb; Freetrade, 7st; and Topsy, 7st.

The Aberdeen Handicap—of 10 sovs.
British Belle, 10st 12lb; Yallaroi, 9st 4lb; Toby, 8st 12lb; Pierott, 8st 11lb; Huggahmuggah, 8st 10lb; Marquee, 8st 9lb; Schoolmaster, 8st 9lb; Gundabri, 8st 7lb; Golddust, 8st 3lb; Hurricane, 7st 7lb; Freetrade, 7st; Topsy, 7st.

The Flying Handicap—7 furlongs.
British Belle, 10st; Yallaroi, 9st 7lb; Toby, 9st 1lb; Pierott, 9st; Huggahmuggah, 8st 13lb; Marquee, 8st 12lb; Schoolmaster, 8st 12lb; Gundabri, 8st 10lb; Golddust, 8st 5lb; Hurricane, 7st 10lb; Freetrade, 7st; Topsy, 7st.

MURRUMBIDGEE TURF CLUB.

WAGGA, Thursday.

Yesterday Linwood and Argus were scratched for the Wagga Gold Cup, Moonlight and Corncrake for the Hurdles, and Linwood for the Town Plate. There is very little wagering on the races at present. Britomarte arrived yesterday. Sugar, Halifax, and some others are expected from Melbourne. A number of other horses arrive this week.

INTERCOLONIAL FOOTBALL.

NEW SOUTH WALES V. QUEENSLAND.

(By our Special Reporter.)

The most unsatisfactory match of the tour was this return contest on Saturday last between the representatives of the two colonies. Not unsatisfactory because of the southerners defeat, but of the unwarranted treatment to which the visitors were subjected. The greatest cause of complaint was the manner in which the referee was forced upon them. In the first match the umpiring was considered unfair for the New South Welshmen, but the next two matches the captain of the Queensland representatives officiated in that capacity with the utmost satisfaction. On Saturday, however, the Northern Rugby Union were determined to have their own umpire, and nominated Mr. Lea. The southerners, ever since they have been in Brisbane, have objected to Mr. Lea as umpire, and nominated another recognised union umpire for the match. The game was late in starting in consequence of this dispute, but when the matter was bluntly laid before the southern captain he gave in, and Mr. Lea took the whistle.

In the first half the game was well contested, and exciting. The N. S. W. forwards worked grandly, while they were well supported by the three-quarters. The only fault lay with the half-backs, and they alone were to blame for the team not scoring. Had Moses been playing, to connect the forward play with the three-quarter, the Queenslanders would have been walked over. The northern forwards were overmatched all through the game, and notwithstanding the ball was invariably thrown among their feet in the scrimmages during the second spell, the southerners always took possession of it. The dribbling rushes of the forwards were quite beyond anything done by the Queensland forwards. The three-quarters and full-back all played well, and time after time if the halves had passed to Abbott, nothing could have prevented the three-quarters scoring. The only runs the three-quarters ever got they had to make for themselves. The wings, Walker and Sheppard, matched the opposing backs splendidly, and although the strength of the northern team lay in their halves, their halves could do nothing. There were no scores in the first half. Favouritism became so apparent that the players began to lose heart, and when Queensland crossed the line the team met together to consider the advisability of leaving the field. After several minutes' discussion, and being warned by the umpire that if they did they would never come to Queensland again, their better feelings again prevailed and they gave in. Before O'Shea scored there were four deliberated breaches of the rules. Shortly after the kick-off Pratten made a beautiful shot at goal, and the ball struck the post and fell back among the Queensland forwards, who picked and brought it to within a yard of the line. Everybody appealed for off side, as Pratten did not follow up; but the umpire did not hear. A scrimmage was quickly formed, and Speakman picked up out of the centre of it, and by some means tried to get over the top, where he was caught, and the ball held. The struggle still continued till the captain grounded the ball a foot outside the line. Seeing he was not yet in it was a matter of a moment to place the ball on the line, and Queensland scored her second try amidst enthusiasm. The air during this *fiasco* was filled with appeals There was no play left in the team. Speakman scored another try immediately after, which was converted into a goal, and the score ended—Queensland, 11 points; New South Wales, nil. Until 10 minutes to the close of the game neither side had scored. During the play Beattie and G. L. Beal were hurt, and the New South Wales captain kindly allowed the Queenslanders to take on another player. G. Brereton, half-back, filled the vacancy. This concession was much appreciated, but it did the southerners no good.

The following were the teams that took part in the match:—

Queensland: W. Warbrick (Arfoma), full-back; George Pratten (Wallaroo), H. Scarr (Grammar School), and J. O'Shea (Grammar School), three-quarter backs; W. H. Beattie (Wallaroo), H. C. Speakman, captain (Union Harrier), G. L. Beal (Arfoma), half-backs; Glen Beal (Arfoma), G. Counsell (Pirate), W. Eason (Harrier), A. D. Graham (Grammar School), J. Hadwin (Boomerang), G. Hensler (Grammar School), A. Scott (Arfoma), and S. Stevens (Harrier).

New South Wales: W. Lyons (Wallaroo), L. A. Wickham (Parramatta), H. Abbott (University), and J. H. M'Causland (Zealandia), three-quarter backs; J. Davie (Wallaroo), and W. Suttor (Parramatta), half-backs; E. Bowman (Wallaroo), J. Fraser (Parramatta), C. H. M'Murdo (Wallaroo), George Osborne (Strathfield), V. H. Reed (Strathfield), H. D. Sheppard (Sydney), Jas. Wood, captain (University), J. C. Wood (University), and D. T. Walker (Strathfield), forwards.

It will be seen that only one alteration had been made in each of the teams that took part in the former contest. J. E. Moulton was forced to stand out of the southern team; this loss was severely felt, while the northerners were without the services of F. A. Alexander, who, as the southerners know well, is a sterling player among the forwards.

CRICKET.

We understand that Mr. V. Cohen, promoter of the next Australian team to visit England, has received a telegram from Mr. G. Giffen, stating that he will not be able to join the team. It is hoped, however, that so prominent a cricketer will yet be induced to alter his determination. Coninghame, one of the Brisbane players, will be included in the team. He is a good bat, an untiring left-hand bowler, a very nimble field, and created a very good impression when he played here some seasons back.

A special meeting of the committee of the New South Wales Cricket Association was held yesterday afternoon at the Oxford Hotel. Mr. G. H. Reid, M.L.A., president, occupied the chair. The business was of a purely formal nature, and consisted in revising the draft report for presentation to the annual meeting, to be held next month.

I ZINGARI CLUB.

The third annual meeting of the members of the I Zingari Cricket Club was held at the Oxford Hotel, King-street, on August 20. Between 60 and 70 members were present. The report of the committee, which was unanimously adopted, congratulated the members upon having "passed through another successful season, for although the past summer's record has not been characterised by the same number of wins as that of the previous season, still the committee are of opinion that they may fairly congratulate the members on the fact that the club's position in the cricket world of the colony has been well sustained, if not actually strengthened, by the general performances and all round excellence of the teams—five in number—who represented the club throughout the season. The number of members on the club roll is 93 active members and 44 honorary members, not including the officers of H. M. Fleet in Australian waters, who, as you are aware, have been admitted to honorary membership. Reference to the balance-sheet shows a sound state of things, the club having the very substantial credit balance of £57 18s 3d, but as liabilities amounting to £11 18s 1d properly belonging to the preceding season, have been discharged and included in the balance-sheet, this is in reality a credit of £9 3s 5d on the season's transactions. The 'A' team was engaged in 28 matches, of which 5 were won, 7 lost, and 16 drawn, scoring 3453 runs against 3098. Mr. G. W. Dight heads the batting with an average of 26·3 for 17 innings, Mr. S. R. Walford being second with 24·9 for 22 innings, and Mr. A. E. Hayes next with 22·7 for 20 innings. The 'B' team were engaged in 25 matches, of which 5 were won, 5 lost, and 15 drawn, scoring 2646 runs against 2195. Mr. R. J. Sheridan heads the batting with an average of 23·4 for 13 innings; Mr. L. Walford, 15·14 for 23 innings; Mr. Norman White, 15·14 for 18 innings; Mr. R. W. Cruickshank, 15·10 for 13 innings, and Mr. H. W. Radford, 15·5 for 17 innings, being next in order. In the bowling, Mr. Radford's record is very praiseworthy. The 'Second' Team must be congratulated upon another season's brilliant performance, playing 31 matches, winning 17, losing 3 only, and drawing 11, scoring 2833 runs against 2418 runs. Mr. W. H. Sheridan heads the batting with an average of 22.1 for 11 innings; Mr. F. Martin, 18·7 for 22 innings; Mr. W. H. Mant, 16·6 for 23 innings; and Mr. H. G. Delohery, 14·2 for 29 innings. Coming next in order Mr. A. Ebsworth's performance of 33 for 4 innings is noticeable. In the bowling, Mr. H. G. Delohery heads the list with a splendid record. The 'social' matches during the season were very successful from every point of view. The club's president, Lord Charles Scott, played in two matches, and Earl Jersey (who has been kind enough to become the club's patron in succession to Lord Carrington) took part in one match. It is proposed in the coming season to have a greater number of these very pleasant matches, which do much to retain the club's popularity." A motion by Mr. R. Blackmore, to the effect that the entrance fee be abolished, was almost unanimously lost. Mr. R. J. Black presented the club with a photograph of the 1862 team of the Albert Club, which team it was stated had an unbeaten record, and was one that had helped considerably in the establishment of cricket as the national game of Australia. It was resolved to hang the picture in the club's pavilion at Rushcutter Bay. The election of officers then took place, with the following results:—Patron: His Excellency the Governor. President: His Excellency the Admiral. Vice-presidents: Major Airey, Messrs. E. Barton, R. J. Black, Sydney Burdekin, J. J. Calvert, Robert Hills, Rev. Canon Kemmis, Sir Patrick Jennings, Messrs. E. Macdonald, G. H. Reid, Colonel Rowe, Hon Mr. Justice Stephen, Mr. Richard Teece, Hon. W. J. Trickett, Messrs. Jas. Watson, John Williams, and B. R. Wise. Hon. secretary: Mr. C. G. Hodgson. Assistant hon. sec.: Mr. C F. W. Lloyd. Hon. treasurer: Mr. P. A. Rabett. Hon. auditors: Messrs. L. T. Lloyd and S. E. Laidley. Hon. secs. to teams: A and B team, Mr. Ronald Blackmore; veteran team, Mr. C. F. W. Lloyd; second eleven, Mr. J. Black; fourth eleven, Mr. Addison. The five committeemen to be elected were: Messrs. G. F. Evans, T. M. Kemmis, H. H. Barton, J. P. Sheridan, and A. H. Delohery. A vote of thanks to the chairman concluded the business.

PEDESTRIANISM.

The Carrington Professional Handicap will be run this afternoon. Nominations for the 250 Yards Handicap, to be run on Friday afternoon, close to-night.

The Lillie Bridge proprietary announce their intention of holding a handicap of £75 on the nights of September 15 and 17; open to all comers. The distance will be about 100 yards, and nominations must be in the hands of the secretary on Wednesday night, September 9. They will not in future run under the Sir Joseph Banks rules and bylaws, but will compile a code of rules for their own grounds. All standing disqualifications have been removed. To encourage novices, colts, and second-class runners to compete in this event the limit will be extended so as to give these men a good chance with the more experienced brethren runners.

Entries for a 75 Yards Professional Handicap, to be run through next Thursday afternoon, close to-morrow night.

CARRINGTON HANDICAP.

The Carrington Nursery Handicap was run last night, and it was won by the favourite, L. Osborne. In the first round the winners were:—R. M'Farlane, J. Usher, D. T. Murphy, O. Aikin, C. Rogers, R. Strong, W. H. Bray, J. Brown, L. Osborne, A. Lillie, P. Barnes, M. O'Grady, G. Stiff, and A. James. In the second round the winners were:—Murphy, Bray, Barnes, and Osborne. The final resulted as follows:—L. Osborne, 29½ yards, 1; W. H. Bray, 24½ yards, 2; P. Barnes, 29 yards, 3; D. T. Murphy, 27½ yards, 4. Won by a foot. Betting: 2 to 1 on Osborne.

SIR JOSEPH BANKS HANDICAP.

The following are the starts for the Sir Joseph Banks 100 Yards Handicap of 35 sovs., to be run on Monday afternoon:—

C. Samuels, 4½ yards; F. Kingsmill, F. Nowland, 5; J. Price, A. E. Roberts, 5½; L. Marsh, H. Stewart, R. D. Loyton, A. R. Hume, 6; E. Lazarus, T. G. Agnew, E. A. Martineer, W. Read, C. M'Gilvery, W. Brown, H. Murray, D. Braithwaite, J. W. Byrne, 6½; T. J. M'Auliffe, J. Donohue, W. Kennedy, W. Brock, G. W. Heath, C. E. Merchant, W. Gowens, P. H. Roberts, S. Skerrett, R. J. Noonan, 7; C. Mitchell, W. A. Connelly, J. Marsh, E. M. Robards, F. C. Ezzie, O. Cowley, S. Donovan, W. Moore, A. M'Grory, T. Hayes, L. A. Cassimir, 7½; R. R. Williams, W. Wright, W. Willey, J. Armstrong, F. Surman, A. E. Cummins, W. Abbott, C. E. Armstrong, G. T. Hicks, J. Butler, T. Elliott, J. Sullivan, W. E. Foy, F. Arnold, J. Wilkinson, 8; W. Bartlett, A. T. Christian, M. J. Connole, C. Banks, T. Pringle, G. Kemp, A. Robinson, W. Conlan, J. Westwood, P. Doyle, H. Darling, P. M'Ateer, W. P. Jeffries, A. Wall, G. A. Studdert, J. Crawford, 8½; W. Love, H. Gordon, J. J. Lynch, E. J. Hough, C. A. Murray, L. A. Hoelscher, M. E. Punch, E. E. Davies, T. Marshall, M. E. Hillcary, F. Wiggins, R. Geldart, M. J. Cooney, 9; F. W. Land, W. Canty, J. Jones, A. A. Brown, W. Crago, J. Hart, A. M'Farlane, J. Creed, R. C. Harris, W. Neilson, J. Farrell, A. Pritchard, W. H. Mason, P. J. Macnamara, A. Maxfield, J. O'Mara, R. Stevens, W. W. Smith, 9½; J. Collier, C. Sharpe, T. Robinson, M. J. Monnock, T. E. M'Auliffe, A. H. Thew, C. Morris, L. Burns, J. Scott, E. Weekley, R. Hilderbrand, D. T. Murphy, 10; F. Gayne, D. Harrison, W. A. Gray, T. Budd, M. J. Learhinan, A. Dolan, H. Moran, T. M'Grory, H. Foy, W. Rowlings, F. W. M'Knight, W. Etherington, D. M. Thomas, T. T. Nelson, H. Samuels, G. Smith, C. Harrison, A. W. Lenehan, R. Darrell, 10½.

CYCLING.

A Mile Mixed Cycle Handicap of £50 will be run at the Lillie Bridge Grounds, Forest Lodge, on Wednesday night, September 23. Entries will be received by the secretary at 198 Pitt-street, up till Wednesday night, September 16.

The following are the handicaps for the Suburban Bicycle Club's Open Road Race, from Double Bay to South Head, to-morrow:—A. Messenger, scratch; J. Edgar, 10 seconds; W. Thomas, 15 seconds; A. Goodwin, 20 seconds; R. Harvey, F. Goodwin, A. E. Pearson, H. Wilson, 30 seconds; W. Hitchcock, G. W. Whatmore, 35 seconds; R. Quodling, 40 seconds; A. S. Jones, T. Barkell, 1 minute 5 seconds; E. Selby, 1 minute 10 seconds; E. Vider, 1 minute 15 seconds; R. Marshall, F. T. Davies, Jorgensen, Glover, Corkhill, Jarman, 1 minute 20 seconds; J. Phelan, 1 minute 25 seconds; Blackmore, Fowler, Williams, Chambers, 1 minute 30 seconds; Tracey, Kent, 1 minute 40 seconds; Megson, 1 minute 45 seconds; Eichler, C. Marshall, Cruickshank, 1 minute 50 seconds; A. E. Yeend, Griffith, 2 minutes; Lockyer, 2 minutes 5 seconds; Wootten, F. White, Dart, Meagher, 2 minutes 10 seconds; H. Roxburgh, Rathgen, 2 minutes 30 seconds; Whitehead, 2 minutes 40 seconds; E. Marshall, 2 minutes 50 seconds; Chapman, Mitchell, 3 minutes; Richards, A. Marks, W. Marks, Kavanagh, E. C. Hughes, Cuneen, 3 minutes 10 seconds.

AQUATICS.

At a meeting of the members of the R. S. Y. Squadron, held yesterday afternoon, it was finally decided to hold a Yacht Club Ball at Need's Rooms, on Monday evening the 7th September, and a committee, consisting of A. G. Milson (Commodore), Hon. W. J. Trickett, J. O. Fairfax, R. Laidley, J. W. Ferguson, F. E. Joseph, H. M. Cockshott, and J. W. Manson were appointed to carry out the arrangements. It was decided to invite the Governor and suite, the Admiral and suite, and the officers of the Imperial Army and Navy.

TRADES AND LABOUR COUNCIL.

There was again a very large attendance of delegates at the weekly meeting of the Trades and Labour Council held at the Trades Hall last evening. Mr. J. Wilson (president) occupied the chair.

After the minutes had been read Mr. Keegan gave notice of his intention to move at the following meeting,—"That that portion of the minutes referring to the admission of Miss Creo Stanley as a delegate to the Council be rescinded."

The Sunny Corner Smelters' and Surface Employees' Union applied for affiliation to the Council, and was admitted.

Mr. Colonna-Close wrote stating that he was about to deliver a series of lectures on trade-union matters, and requesting the patronage of the council. After discussion, it was decided to refuse the request.

A letter was received from Mr. Winter, of Perth, Western Australia, stating that steps were being taken to establish a Trades and Labour Council there. The information was received amidst applause.

Correspondence in reference to the formation of a trade union brass band in connection with the council was referred to the organising committee for report.

The South Australian Trades Council wrote stating that the following resolution had been adopted by that body:—"That, while not opposed to federation on a sound and just basis, this council cannot accept the proposed federation as based on the lines of the Commonwealth Bill drafted at the National Federation Convention held in Sydney in 1891."

DISORDERLY MEETINGS.

The United Labourers' Protective Society wrote protesting against the introduction of political, sectarian, or socialistic questions at meetings of the council, whilst purely trades-union business was delayed, and pointing out that it also had a tendency to cause dissension and personal ill-feeling amongst delegates to the council.

The Coachmakers wrote protesting against the manner in which the business of the council was conducted.

The Stereotyper and Letter Press Machinists' Union also wrote in reference to the recent disorderly meetings.

A number of delegates spoke in reference to the letters, and several considered that the three societies in question had insulted the council by interfering with its business.

The Chairman endorsed the action of the unions which had written. The delegates must acknowledge that the business of the previous meeting had been carried on disgracefully, and he hoped that in future the delegates would assist the chair in maintaining order.

ALIEN LABOUR.

The secretary of the Italian Workmen's Association wrote, in reply to a letter from the council, furnishing particulars regarding Italian inhabitants. The letter stated that there were about 2200 Italians in the colony: 400 lived in Sydney; 1800 were males and 200 females; only one-third of the males were married, and three-fourths of the females were married. Nearly the whole of the females were engaged in domestic duties. The occupations of the men were as follows:—Agriculturists (chiefly wine, silk, fruit, and olive growers), 400; labourers and navvies, 300; miners, 100; sailors, 80; fishermen, 80; artisans, 50; cooks and waiters, 50.

A letter was received from the Colonial Secretary that the letter from the council re Italians and other alien races was under consideration.

CIVIL SERVANTS AS WAITERS.

A letter was received from the Hotel and Caterers' Employees' Union stating that the following resolution had been passed by the union:—"That immediate steps should be taken to give effect to a resolution passed some time ago in the council to prevent men in constant Government employ performing any work unconnected with their office."

Mr. Fabre pointed out that he and many of his brother-unionists knew of messengers in Government offices and other Civil servants who had accepted engagements at banquets and balls as waiters, whilst many members of the Hotel and Caterers' Employees' Union were out of employment. It was manifestly unfair that men in the employ of the Government should be allowed to compete with those who had to earn their living by waiting. He moved,—"That the resolution forwarded by the Caterers' Employees' Union be forwarded to the Parliamentary committee of the Trades and Labour Council, with a view to the matter being placed before the labour party in Parliament."

The motion, which was seconded by Mr. Keegan, was unanimously carried.

PRIVATE BARS AND BARMAIDS.

The Hotel and Caterers' Employees' Union forwarded the following resolution adopted by that body for the consideration of the council:—"That a clause be inserted in the Licensing Act at present before the House for revision to prevent if possible, or at least to regulate, the employment of barmaids in public and private bars."

Mr. Fabre (Caterers Employees' Union) stated that the resolution was a very important one, and immediate action should be taken. The girls in many instances were employed at salaries ranging from 15s to 20s per week, and as they had to keep up appearances, which cost them at least £2 per week, it was clear they had to obtain money by other means. Six out of every ten private bars in this city were nothing less than disorderly houses. The matter had been brought under the notice of the police by the union he represented, but no notice had been taken. There were hundreds of men now out of employment who would be working if the women were not in the positions. He moved "that the matter be referred to the Parliamentary committee, with a view to it being brought under the attention of the labour members."

Mr. Lee seconded the motion.

Mr. E. Duggan opposed the motion. If these women were prevented from earning an honest living by serving in the bars of public-houses they would probably lead a much more degraded life. He had known of many instances of girls of respectable parents who went into that line, and conducted their business respectably and properly, and it would be tyrannous in the extreme to deprive them of the means of a livelihood.

Mr. Keegan (Coachbuilders) moved the omission of the word "prevent." Most of these delegates who appeared to know so much about the private bars were, he noticed, what were known as water drinkers.

Mr. Duggan seconded the amendment.

Mr. Grills considered that the employment of women in hotels had a demoralising tendency. There was, he ventured to say, not one member of the council, including the opponents of the motion, who would allow any of their female relatives to serve behind a bar.

Mr. George Dyson (Typographical Union) said that it was well known that all efforts in the past to organise waitresses and barmaids had proved to be dismal failures. The women considered themselves above trade unions, and when they found it impossible to get a living, instead of remedying matters legitimately by means of trade unionism, they got their living in other and illegitimate ways. It was only reasonable that an endeavour should be made to wipe barmaids out of existence and replace them with unionists.

Upon the motion being put it was carried by 41 to 37 votes.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

The following notices of motion were tabled:—

By Mr. William Lee,—"That no member be permitted to introduce on a motion of privilege any other business than that relating to trades-unionism."

By Mr. Samuel Smith,—"That the council request, on behalf and in the interest of the organised and disorganised workers, the labour members in Parliament to reconsider their decision re accepting seats on the Public Works and other committees."

By Messrs. Hepher, Gillies, and Strong,—"That rules 6 and 14, relating to sustentation fee, be altered so that societies shall pay for every financial member, instead of limiting the fee to 400 members as at present, and that the sustentation fee be reduced to 3d per member."

It was resolved to call a special meeting of the council for 3 o'clock to-morrow afternoon, to deal with matters relating to the labour newspaper, and the meeting then adjourned.

THE CENTRAL CUMBERLAND ELECTION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—In your issue of yesterday was published a statement from Mr. W. A. Brodie, one of the freetrade candidates for the Central Cumberland vacancy, to the effect that, in order to save the seat to the freetrade cause, he was willing to enter into a conference with me as to who should retire. I have addressed the following reply to Mr. Brodie:—

"76 Pitt-street, August 27, 1891.

"Dear Sir,—I am in receipt of yours under yesterday's date, in which you profess to be concerned at the possible loss of the freetrade seat in Central Cumberland by the division of the votes, and, further, stating that you are prepared to meet me and other gentlemen in conference on this subject. I need hardly say that I am very much surprised at this fresh move on your part after your failure to attend the conference on Monday last (the time and place of which were arranged by yourself). Mr. Varney Parkes and myself attended at your Sydney office sharp to the appointed time, 4 o'clock, and after waiting for you until a quarter past 4, we were obliged to leave by cab to catch the 4.30 train to Liverpool, where I had engagements. Under these circumstances I think I am entitled to some explanation, as this might be another fool's errand.

August 27. I am, &c., J. GARRARD.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Referring to Mr. Garrard's letter in to-day's *Herald* regarding a conference, I deny that any appointment had been made by me to meet either Mr. Garrard or Mr. Varney Parkes on Monday last, or any other time. What really occurred was that in course of a conversation with Mr. Parkes in Pitt-street, re the election, I said it was a pity Mr. Garrard and I should be opposed to each other, thereby causing a split in the freetrade vote, and a possible loss of a seat to the Government, and that it would be better to arrange a meeting and decide who should retire. He replied that he did not believe in candidates retiring after being nominated, and that the seat would be all right, and that all could fight and the best man would win.

Their calling at my office was done in my absence, and the object quite foreign to me. Instead of remaining at my office until quarter-past 4 I can prove they were not there five minutes. I have desired a conference all the week, and again this morning asked Mr. Garrard for his decision, and he refuses to meet me in conference, thereby jeopardising the seat to the freetrade party. All freetraders to prevent this should give me their support. I desire specially to direct attention to my advertisement in the daily papers, and should it be circulated that I have retired no credence must be given to the rumour. I am, &c.,
August 27. W. A. BRODIE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Referring to Mr. Garrard's letter in this morning's issue of *S. M. Herald*, and the statement therein that he and Mr. Varney Parkes were at Mr. Brodie's office for the purpose of holding a conference on Monday, I deem it my duty as an elector, in justice to Mr. Brodie, to say that at 4 o'clock Mr. Parkes and Mr. Garrard called, in Mr. Brodie's absence, for the purpose, not of holding a conference, but to request that Mr. Brodie should retire from the contest. They were not at the office longer than five minutes, and the statement by Mr. Garrard that he waited for a quarter of an hour is incorrect, as I was present at the time. I am, &c.,
August 27. J. C. RUTTER.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Being away from home for the last three weeks, I was not aware of the lamented death of my friend, Mr. R. A. Ritchie, and thereby of the vacancy in the electorate till it was too late to contest the same. No doubt many of my friends will wonder at not hearing from me, or why I am not one of the candidates in this contest. Only for the reasons stated, or else I should have placed myself in the electors' hands. Hoping the electorate will be true to its best interest and only vote for a freetrader and a reliable man in everything that will conduce to the moral and material prosperity of the electorate and the welfare of the colony, I am, &c.,
August 27. JOHN FORSYTH.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—As a freetrade elector in the Central Cumberland constituency, I desire to endorse the proposal made in your leader this morning concerning a conference between Messrs. Garrard and Brodie. There has been too much sentiment about the correspondents who desire to have a roads and bridges member, instead of facing the broad facts which we free traders have before us. They are simply that three freetraders are indulging in a triangular contest, and causing an opening for some misrepresentative of the freetrade inclinations of the constituency to slip in between them. Whatever may be our personal feelings as regards the position of candidates, I contend that it is the plain duty of freetraders to go solidly for the strongest man, and avert the danger that is imminent of allowing a candidate to be returned to sit in opposition to the other members of the constituency. The question is—Who is the strongest man? My firm impression is that Mr. Garrard will poll nearly three times as many votes as either Mr. Brodie or Mr. Taylor. My reasons for so thinking are that Mr. Garrard will get a big party vote in Sydney and will lead any other candidate there by at least 300 votes. Along the north-western portion of the constituency, including Ryde, Hunter's Hill, Gladesville, and Dundas, he has men working for him who have always been the hardest and most successful fighters in the freetrade interest, and there I am confident he will score three to one of any other candidate. The Dural and Castle Hill people will support him because he has sound views on the railway requirements of the district, and at Granville, Rookwood, Liverpool, Fairfield, and Smithfield I know the men personally who are fighting for him, and they are the leading freetraders in those parts. The other places I am not certain of, but the places I have mentioned will give Mr. Garrard a considerable lead over the other freetrade candidates; but it is doubtful whether the votes recorded for him will be sufficient to defeat a solid protectionist or labour vote. It is to be noted that the protectionists are going straight for Mr. Gannon, and have convened meetings of members of Parliament all over the constituency on the eve of polling day, while the freetrade members are coolly looking on owing to the civil war in the freetrade ranks. Just one word as to party obligations, on which you published an excellent article this week. It is lamentable that in this constituency we have candidates coming forward on every possible opportunity without consulting the wishes of the electors.

I am, &c., A FREETRADE ELECTOR.

"THERE IS DEATH IN THE POT."

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Your correspondent under the above heading makes no reference to the Acts 14 Victoria, No. 30 (Cattle Slaughtering Act), or 43 Victoria, No. 3 (Sydney Corporation Act); I therefore conclude they have escaped his notice. Section 10 of the former Act provides a penalty for the sale of diseased meat in cities and towns to which the Act has been extended by proclamation, and sections 197, 198, and 199 of the latter Act provide penalties, &c., for like offences within the city of Sydney. The only cases apparently left unprovided for are where the offence is committed in the suburbs of any city or in towns to which the Act 14 Victoria, No. 30, has not been extended. It would probably be found on inquiry that in municipalities the municipal bylaws deal with the matter. With regard to the Act 14 Victoria, No. 30, a question might be raised as to how far it is affected by the change in the constitution of the Legislature since it was passed; but I believe that the words "Legislative Council" in section 16 would be taken as meaning Legislative Assembly.

I may point out that knowingly exposing for sale meat unfit for human food has been held to be an offence at common law (R. v. Stevenson, quoted at page 565 of Wilk. Aus. Mag., fifth edition).

Trusting that the importance of the question may be my excuse for trespassing on your valuable space, I am, &c.
A COUNTRY SOLICITOR.

Ladies' attention is drawn to DAHMS and CO.'S new stock of superior jewellery at their new premises, 182 Pitt-street, opposite Hordern Brothers'.—[Advt.]

The Imperial Arcade, Pitt-street, opposite Hordern's central business position.—Shops and Offices, low rents. Apply agents, ground floor, No. 33.—[Advt.]

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MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

THURSDAY EVENING.

In the Stock and Share market to-day there was very little business. A higher price was offered for Balmain Ferry, quotations for others being unaltered. On the Sydney Stock Exchange the following sales were reported at 1 o'clock:—Mercantile Bank, 14s 9d; Perpetual Trustee, 19s. At 4 o'clock: Australian Gaslight, 12½; Assets Realization, 3s. Closing quotations were:—

BANKS.

	Buyer.	Seller.		Buyer.	Seller.
Aust. Joint Stock	...	72½	N. S. Wales	94	...
Commercial	117½	...	New Zealand	...	61
City	...	124	New Insure.	...	82
New Insure	...	6¼	Auck'd reg.	...	53
Bank of Aust.	...	11½	G. National	...	5¾
Sydney	...	...	Bk. Qland	...	53
Mercantile Bank	13/	17/	Union	63	65
North Q'land	...	62/			

STEAM.

Balmain Ferry	14/6	15/	Newcastle	1/	3/
C.B. and M.H.	...	20/	Pref., pcp pd	...	1/
Illawarra	...	6¼	Wa pa Pd	...	1/
Hunter River	...	...	Port Jackson	...	32/
M.S. Ferry	...	40/			

INSURANCE.

Aust. Mut. Fire 12/3	...	...	New Zealand	...	17/
City Mutual	2/	3/	Pacific	...	1/
Commercial	...	6/3	United	...	12/
N.S. Wales	10/	11/			

GAS.

Aust. Gaslight	12½	12¾	New Issue	9	9¼

BREWERIES.

Australian	...	18/	Castle'gne and		
Tooth	2/6	...	Wood Brew.	21/6	22/
Tooth's	...	7/	Tooth's	16/3	17/6

MISCELLANEOUS.

Aerated Bread	...	...	Sawcliff's	...	...
Australian Hotel	8/	9/	Richardson and		
City Carrying	...	2/	Wrench	...	18/
Colonial Sugar	...	29½	Shale and Oil	...	6/
£20 pd.	...	...	Sydney Ferries	10/3	...
Gas Stel. 4 p.c.	16/	...	Sydney Hyd	3/9	4/9
Milk Trans.	45/	50/	Syd. Exchange	17	21

INVESTMENT AND FINANCE, &c.

Assets Realiza-			Perp. T'stee	19/3	19/6
tion	2/9	3/3	Real Estate	...	1/3
Credit Finance	5/9	6/	Sydney Land		
Mort de Paris	27/	...	Bank	...	9/
Pitcairn Guar.	...	...	Sydney Agency,		
Perm. Trustee	4/3	4/3	call pail	...	2/6

LAND AND BUILDING COMPANIES, &c.

Anglo Aust.			National	...	8
£5 paid	13/	17/	Mercantile	...	8/
£3 pd.	60/	...	Sydney Per-		
Aust. Mutual	...	49/	manent	20½	...
Commercial	...	75/	Sydney and Sb.	...	23/6
Deposit Prov.	...	20½			

On the Stock Exchange of New South Wales the following sales were reported:—Colonial Finance, 5s 9d; Anglo-Australian Investment, 20s paid, 16s 9d; Industrial Provident Building (67 shares), £20 1s. The following were the closing quotations, except those corresponding with the figures of the Sydney Stock Exchange published above:—Australian Banking, seller 92s 6d; Commercial Bank of Sydney, seller 118½; Mercantile Bank, buyer 14s, seller 17s 6d; Australian Mutual Fire, seller 15s; New South Wales Insurance, buyer 1s; United, buyer 67s 6d; Bass Gravel, buyer 17s; Picturesque Atlas, seller 1s 6d; Sydney Cyclorama, buyer 10s 9d; Mortgage Guarantee, seller 4s 11d; Permanent Trustee, buyer 4s 1d, seller 4s 6d; Equitable Building, seller 7s; Metropolitan Land, seller 17s 6d; Sydney Freehold Building, seller 19s; Sydney Permanent Land, seller 2l.

The report of the Australian Agricultural Company for the year 1890 (says the *European Mail*) shows the following credit balances at the end of the year:—Unappropriated capital, £6734; net revenue earned during the year, £79,660: amount available for dividend, £72,106. Deducting the dividend paid in February last, the amount still available for distribution is £36,106, and the payment, tax free, of a second dividend at the same rate—viz., 36s per share—on and after August 1 is recommended. The total sum distributed in dividends for 1890 thus amount to £72,000, or about 16·74 per cent. on £430,000, the paid-up capital of the Company.

The shares of the Bank of South Australia in the London market continue to recover; the price now quoted being £19 10s.

Our London cable message states that the Argentine difficulty is still a feature of the monetary world. The creation of paper money is easy enough, though whether it will be effective has yet to be seen. From the *Statist* of July 18 we take the following:—

"Nothing is more difficult than for capitalists and people in London have begun to recognise that such a drastic measure as a moratorium could not be decreed by the Argentine Congress without entailing the most serious consequences. The reason for foreign bankers doing business in the River Plate. It would appear that, partly owing to the action of the Government, partly in consequence of the dislike felt against foreign banking institutions by certain political parties in the country, and partly in consequence of the dislike felt against foreign banking institutions by certain political parties in the country, difficulties have occurred in quarters where English interests are more directly concerned. As an instance of the depreciation that has already taken place in English banking capital, we note in the River Plate. We may refer to the fact that the shares of the English Bank of the River Plate, which early in the year stood at 14½, have this week been dealt in at London at 9½, whereas the shares of the Anglo-Argentine Bank, the highest point of the year, fell in June to 25½, have since recovered slightly. Anglo-Argentine Bank shares, from 4½, the lowest price of the year, fell to 2½, and have recovered to 3½.

From our London files received to-day there seems to be some prospect that the strain upon the London money market to meet American demands is not likely to be so great as it was thought it would be a month or two ago. Usually there are very large requirements of currency in the United States at this period of the year. However, there is now a larger supply in the United States than there was in former years. For instance, in 1887 the amount was £883,660,000; on July 1 it was £300,000,000, the composition in the two years being as follows:—

	1891.	1890.
Gold coin	£81,920,000	£74,880,000
Gold certificates	24,770,000	28,280,000
Silver coin	20,180,000	22,020,000
Silver certificates	61,470,000	59,440,000
Treasury note (issues) against		
Silver purchases	8,060,000	...
United States notes	40,060,000	36,980,000
National Bank notes	36,350,000	36,350,000
Total	£300,000,000	£298,900,000

It appears from this table that a noteworthy feature is the large amount of the currency based upon silver. According to the *Economist*, in 1885 silver, and paper representing silver, constituted only about 14 per cent of the total circulation, while at present the proportion is 31 per cent., giving more than colour to the statements of those who fear that the monetary system of the United States is likely to be on a silver basis at no distant date. While, however, there has been that large increase of currency the circulation itself expands very rapidly in the third quarter of the year, and if it does so to the extent of £13,000,000—the amount last year—there may be a considerable drain of gold from that country. But last year merchants carried exceptional stocks in order to anticipate the operation of the M'Kinley tariff, and the circulation was expanded to an amount three times as great as the increase in 1889. Trade also is quiet this year, and that tends also to neutralise the effect of the large increase of money required for moving the large crops. The United States Treasury this year will not be able to assist the market with £13,000,000 as it did 12 months back, it being pretty well exhausted. But then the Government is not now buying up its 4½ per cent. bonds. It is continuing them as 2 per cents, and, on the basis of their continuance, the banks will be able to maintain their circulation. The currency is being also steadily increased by the issue of Treasury notes against the purchase of 4,000,000oz. of silver monthly, and the market will be helped by several millions from the re-coining of trade dollars. These considerations have all been set forth as tending to mitigate a position that at one time was thought would be a very strained one. The state of the market as indicated by our cable messages received lately go to confirm the less apprehensive views that were beginning to be entertained of the probable influence of the United States demand on the London market.

The Bank of England rates on July 24 remained at 3½ per cent. Day to day loans were being done at 1½ per cent., the figure for short periods being ½ per cent., three months bills at 2½ per cent. Closing rates for Anglo-Australian bank stocks were:—Bank of Australasia, 98-100; Bank of New South Wales, 69-71; Bank of New Zealand, 5½-6½; ditto new shares, 7½-8½; Bank of South Australia, 22-24; Commercial of Australia, 124-13½; English, Scottish, and Australian Chartered, 32-33; London Chartered of Australia, 26½-27½; National of Australasia, 10½-11½; National of New Zealand, 3-2 dis.; Queensland National, Limited, 9½-9¾; Union of Australia, 65-67; ditto inscribed stock deposits, 102-104.

Deliveries of breadstuffs by rail for the week amount to 69 tons 18cwt. wheat, and 259 tons 19cwt. flour. Coastwise, the deliveries of flour amount to 4000 bags wheat and 3136 bags flour from Victoria, and 1600 bags wheat and 2461 bags flour from Adelaide. Since the 1st January the receipts have comprised the following:—

	1890.		1891.	
	Wheat.	Flour.	Wheat.	Flour.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
By rail	416,950	452,830	203,480	341,090
By sea from Victoria	6,840	370,150	251,200	475,600
South Australia	1,720	871,000	198,280	480,840
New Zealand	141,580	208,120	32,200	16,010
San Francisco	3,100	...	...	510
Java	...	1,400	5,000	...
Total	573,200	1,808,220	690,780	1,468,440

The export of flour and wheat to Queensland since the beginning of the year has amounted to 649,590 bushels, against 692,000 bushels to the corresponding period of last year.

In the Import markets to-day there was an absence of life, few large sales coming under notice. The breadstuffs market remains firm all the better prices

quoted yesterday. Telegraphic news from Melbourne reports that some holders now ask 5s 6d for wheat, a price which, if maintained, is likely to cause a further rise in flour. Our quotation of a sale of wheat yesterday in this market should have been 10,000 bags, the exact price not having transpired. The quantity of wheat afloat for the United Kingdom has declined since last week from 2,000,000 quarters to 1,980,000 quarters, but the decrease has been more than made up in the quantity afloat to the Continent, which amounts to 2,660,000 quarters, against 2,344,000 quarters. A year back the quantity afloat to the United Kingdom was 2,360,000 quarters, and to the Continent 336,000 quarters. There was thus a decrease of 380,000 quarters in the quantity afloat to the United Kingdom, but an increase of no less than 2,064,000 quarters to the Continent. The Indian wheat crop this year is estimated at 6,842,000 tons, comparing with 6,123,000 tons last year, and 6,579,000 tons, the average of the past five years. There was some agitation among the native population for a prohibitive tax to prevent the country from being drained of food required by the people in consequence of losses in the rice harvest, and so as to ensure that the prices shall be kept down for the benefit of the people. The total exports of Indian wheat in the past five years have been as follows:—Year ending March 31, 1887, 22,263,000cwt.; 1888, 13,538,000cwt.; 1889, 17,610,000cwt.; 1890, 13,799,000cwt.; and 1891, 14,352,000cwt. To what extent the increase in the yield and the higher prices will cause an addition to the export remains to be proved. The Government of India is not likely to accede to any demand for the prohibition of export. Business in tea, covering a few hundred half-chests, continues to be done, of medium to fine quality. Currants are moving off in 50 to 100 case lots at 4½d. Valencias, in consequence of the dearness of ölemes, are coming to a good market; 5d is asked. Muscatels are selling at from 10d; but the demand is restricted. White sugar of medium quality is selling at from £33 10s; Queensland is being received more freely into the Brisbane market, as well as into our own. The estimates of yield of the Queensland crop vary. If the total production reaches 68,000 tons, or within 2000 tons of last year, no doubt this is owing to the opening up of new ground, as some of the leading districts report decreases that would not otherwise admit of such a large figure. Tuesday's *Courier* thus refers to the position in Brisbane:—

There have been good deliveries of sugar, and the supply is probably beyond the requirements of the market. A rough estimate of the probable yield of sugar for the present season places it at 68,000 tons, which if realised will be within a few hundred tons of last season's return. As we have already pointed out, several mills are crushing for the Colonial Sugar Company, and that will, no doubt, reduce the stocks for this market. First whites are quoted at £19 to £21, according to the brand and parcel; second whites, £17 to £19, and lower grade whites at £15 10s to £17. The supply of yellow crystals rests in, but nominally the value of the delivery was cleared off. In ration sorts there is nothing doing.

We note business in ling at from 5d to 5½d. 150 cases sardines quitted the market, being rather firmer consequent on an advance in France; 3s 4½d to 3s 9d is the range of quotations for common to good medium quality fish. Hops are selling at late rates. English news to July 24 is to the effect that the hop plantations at home and abroad were in a good condition, and the market was flat, prices continuing to decline. Last week quoted from 10s to 40s £8. The trade in liquids locally is decidedly quiet, quotations all round being unaltered. The English rum market was rather firmer at latest mail dates. A London paper says:—"There has been a good demand at steady rates, and proof kinds have met with more attention. The sales include Jamaica at from 3s 7d to 4s; and in proof kinds Demerara at 2s 1½d to 2s 2d; and Leeward Islands at 2s to 2s 2d per proof gallon. The stock of Jamaica is 7476 puncheons, against 10,430 puncheons, and of all sorts 19,040 puncheons, as compared with 19,860 puncheons at the same time last year. The Liverpool market remains bare of supplies of Demerara in first hands, and consequently there is no business to report." There was some inquiry for galvanised iron, the market being steady. I. C. Coke tin plates are moving off at about 18s. High test kerosene oil from is 3½d, with sales. Other oils unaltered. Jute goods firm. Baltic lumber in steady request at 9s.

The steamer Port Adelaide arrived to-day from London, via ports, with miscellaneous merchandise, valued at £43,500.

The Australian wool sales promise to open this year in the presence of a large attendance of foreign buyers, including some who have not before been in the colonies. In their Victorian circular for August, Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co. report:—

During the past month there have been no public sales in this market, the catalogues of wool in store being very small, and the business confined to a few private sales, at rates recently current. No date can yet be fixed for the opening sale of the season, the probability being that, owing to the very recent floods, the shearing will be later than usual, and the sales consequently somewhat delayed. Advices from the Riverina and Murrumbidgee districts state that Northern districts are to hand, Fort Bourke and Corowga Peak being among those warehoused. The latest mail reports of the Darling River state that shipments of sheep from Bourke had been forwarded to at the September sales. We have information of a strong force of buyers now en route for the colonies, among whom will be several for our own house. In view of the present condition of trade there is every indication of a strong market during the Australian selling season.

To-day a London cable message, dated August 26, was received by a local house, quoting tin at £92, and Chili bars at £92 17s 6d.

On Wednesday the Parramatta courthouse and site was sold to the Commercial Banking Company of Sydney for the sum of £10,500.

The following was the Customs revenue received to-day:—

Spirits, £1889 19s 1d; wine, still, £90 18s 8d; wine, sparkling, £55; ale, porter, and beer in wood, £51 5s; ale, porter, and beer in bottle, £147 18s; tobacco and snuff, £361 4s; tobacco for manufacturing purposes only, £517; cigars, £189 4s 6d; cigarettes, £42 8s 5d; tea, £346 12s 2d; coffee, raw, £2 4s; coffee, prepared, £147 18s; molasses, £1 11s; sugar, 12s 3d; dried fruits, £74 12s 8d. Specific duty: Bacon and hams, £34 8s 10d; biscuits, £3 9s 2d; bitters, over 25 per cent. of proof spirit, £11 19s 6d; butter, £309 19s; candles, £58 17s 1d; cement, £10; cheese, £2 11s 11d; cocoa and chocolate, £342 8s 9d; confectionery, £6 8s 6d; fish, £26 7s 7d; galvanised iron, £128 10s 9d; galvanised manufactures, £6 2s 2d; iron and steel wire, £60 10s 8d; jams and jellies, £31 4s 3d; oil, kerosene, £103; oils, in bottle, 3s; oils, other, £1 18s 6d; paints, £1 19s 3d; perfumery, £3 2s 2d; timber, undressed, £120 5s 7d; varnish, £68 10s. Hardware and light rates, £6 10s 9d; pilotage, Sydney, £111 12s 8d; harbour dues, £23 10s; colonial distilled spirits, £202 11s 4d; excess of duties, £28 1s 9d; licenses for selling tobacco and cigars, £1 5s. Total, £3541 2s 5d.

COMMERCIAL TELEGRAMS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.)

MELBOURNE, THURSDAY.

Wheat is quiet, but steady; sellers, 5s 3d. Bran firmer, at 1s. A large business is done in manufacturing sugars at full rates. At auction 10,378 packages tea, ex Tartar, sold at prices leaving for all kinds but buds a heavy loss to importers. Scented Capers and S. O. pekoe show a considerable fall. There is a good demand for fresh herrings, and large sales of best brands are reported at 5s 3d to 5s 4½d.

Only the morning meetings of the Exchange were held to-day, the afternoon being a holiday on account of the Agricultural Show. In investment stocks a very limited business was done, the principal changes being a little improvement in City of Melbourne and Commercial Banks, and lower prices for Zeehan Railway, New Dundas Tramway, Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus. Sales: City of Melbourne Bank, £5 2s; Commercial, £11 3s, £11 4s 6d; Metropolitan, 55s; National, £10 3s; Royal, 37s; (sale of Colonial Banks reported yesterday, £14 16s, should have been £14 14s); Loan Mortgage, 38s; Metropolitan Gas, £14 8s; T. K. Bennet and Company, 19s; Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus, 48s 6d, 48s; Mutual Store, £5 14s; New Dundas Tramway, 6s, 5s 10½d; Yorkshire Brewery, 9s 9d; Zeehan Railway, 15s.

The Australian Smelting and Refining Company's London telegram of 26th August quotes standard silver at 3s 9 1-16d per ounce and soft Spanish lead at £12 per ton.

ENGLISH COMMERCIAL NEWS.

[BY CABLE.]

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, AUG. 27.

The American visible supply of wheat, according to *Bradstreet's Chronicle*, is 23,400,000 bushels.

There is a continuous rise in wheat and rye in Berlin.

PRODUCE MARKET.—THURSDAY.

This morning at the Bedford auction forage sales there was a limited attendance. The consignments of forage received were smaller than for several days past, numbering 23 trucks; 13 consisted of chaff, 6 of straw, and 4 of hay. Except for two trucks of rye straw, which sold at 6s and 6s 3d per cwt., respectively, the demand lacked animation. Prices of chaff were weaker. At the wharfs, the chief shipments forward were from the Hunter and Clarence Rivers and Victoria. Trade as usual at the close of the month was very quiet. The wheat and flour markets rule very firm. Prices of maize remain steady. Oats, onions, and intercolonial chaff command full attention. The lately current rates for dairy produce were maintained. Particulars of the business transacted at the Bedfern forage auction sales were as follows:—

Hay.—Very light supplies. Lucerne, in bales, from Mudgee, was disposed of at 2s 11d per cwt.; oaten, in bundles, 3s 7d to 4s 1d.

Straw.—Clean wheaten, in bundles, was purchased sparingly, from 1s 10d to 1s 1d per cwt.; rye, in bundles, 6s and 6s 3d.

Chaff.—The consignments submitted were sufficient for the day's requirements. Prices obtained for oaten and wheaten, mixed in bags, ranged from 3s 11d to 5s 1d per cwt.

At the wharfs the wholesale quotations were:—

Wheat.—Milling lines quoted at about 5s 3d per bushel.

Flour.—Roller brands, £12 to £12 10s per ton; stone-makes, £10 15s to £11.

Bran.—Quotations, 90d to 95d per bushel.

Pollard.—Values irregular, from 5d to 9½d per bushel.

Maize.—The ruling rate for the best dry Northern River samples was 2s 2d per bushel.

Oats.—Feed varieties still quoted to 2s 1d per bushel; seed, 1s 9d to 2s 1d.

Potatoes.—The shipments of Riverina River lines per steamer

LAW REPORT.

SUPREME COURT.—THURSDAY, AUGUST 27.

In Banco.—*Before their Honors the* CHIEF JUSTICE, *Mr. Justice* INNES, *and Mr. Justice* MANNING.)

THE SCOTTISH AUSTRALIAN MINING COMPANY, LIMITED, *v.* REDHEAD COAL-MINING COMPANY, LIMITED

(PART HEARD).

Mr. Pilcher, Q.C., Mr. A. H. Simpson, and Mr. Ralston, instructed by Messrs. Sly and Hamilton, appeared for appellants (defendants), and Sir Julian Salomons, Q.C., Mr. Walker, and Mr. Langer Owen, instructed by Messrs. Norton and Co., for respondents (plaintiffs). This was an appeal by the Redhead Coal-mining Company, Limited, against the decision of Mr. Justice Owen, Chief Judge in Equity, on June 2 last. The case for both sides has already been published, and the appeal of the defendants is based upon the following grounds:—1. That the decree was against evidence and the weight of evidence. 2. That his Honor ought to have refused the relief prayed for by the plaintiff company, on the ground that they were only entitled to compensation under section 31 of the Redhead Coalmine Railway Act of 1883, to be assessed by arbitration, as provided by section 18 and the subsequent sections of the said Act. 3. That his Honor should have refused to entertain the plaintiff company's suit, and to grant the relief prayed for, on the ground that the plaintiff company had not obtained any right to construct a railway across the line of railway of the defendant company, and might never obtain any such right, and were, therefore, not damnified in any way, nor entitled to the relief sought 4. That his Honor ought to have refused to grant the relief sought on the ground that the work of the defendant company had been substantially completed in respect of the bridge openings complained of before any objection was taken thereto, and that there had been delay on the part of the plaintiff company in objecting to the same. 5. That his Honor was wrong in the construction of the word "span" used in proviso to section 1 of the Redhead Coalmine Railway Amending Act of 1889 meant "clear span," and that his Honor was wrong in holding that it did not bear a technical meaning. 6. That upon the true construction of the said Act, the bridge openings in question had been properly constructed, and were in accordance with the said proviso.

Mr. Pilcher resumed his argument for the appellants, and said that on the question of width he submitted that the Act provided for the width of the openings; but the question was what it was to be. There was another question arising from that matter, and that was whether the Court would, under the circumstances disclosed, compel the defendants to make those openings wider by a mandatory injunction. Now, first of all, they had to consider what was the meaning of the words in the statute—in other words, what was the contract, because, if the plaintiffs had not made out their contract, there was an end to that part of the case. The plaintiffs had to make out that the meaning of the statute was what they contended for. The words of the proviso were that there should be "at least three openings of 20ft. span each." Now, it was remarkable that in the rest of the statute wherever a space was provided for in any other part, the words were "clear space." That being so, why was it not provided in this proviso? If the plaintiffs intended that there should be 20ft. in the clear, they should have seen that it was stipulated in the Act, and it was no answer to say now that it was intended by it, because defendants could not be affected by that. If the 5th and 11th sections of the Act of 1883 gave power to the defendants to depress plaintiffs' railway so as to enable it to pass through the openings, and the defendants had to do that at their own cost, the plaintiffs could not come to the Court for a mandatory injunction.

Mr. A. H. Simpson followed on the same side, and pointed out that on July 17, 1889, the plan of the defendants' railway was before the select committee, and was shown to Mr. Croudace, who therefore knew that the openings would be less than 14ft. high. Beyond all doubt, therefore, he then sanctioned the construction of the line on the present lines. He contended that the Chief Judge in Equity misapprehended the evidence by taking it that Mr. Croudace complained in September, 1889, because he knew on July 17, 1889, of defendant company's proposed deviation and their levels with the deviation, and he assented, or, if he did not, he never complained. He told his own engineer that he was going to Sydney, and would see if the directors of the Redhead Company would make the alterations. He did not, however, see them. Then Mr. Croudace went to New Zealand and the work went on, and when he returned a complaint was made, but only in reference to the height of the embankment. It was then too late to complain, and he should have complained when he saw the plans in July, 1889, certainly in September, 1889. On the question of width, he submitted that there was ample evidence that the width was sufficient, and that, with a grade of 1 in 100, brake sticks were absolutely unnecessary. Then, as to the alterations which would be necessary in plaintiffs' line, there was abundant evidence that they would not cost more than £2000; and as to the height of the opening, there was no complaint until the work was completed, and that was too late.

Upon the conclusion of the learned counsel's argument the further hearing of the appeal was adjourned till next term.

RE GEORGE ROBINSON (LYDIA NICHOLSON, CAVEATOR).

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(*Before the Registrar, Mr.* ARTHUR HENRY.)

CERTIFICATE SUSPENDED.

Re Daniel James M'Cauley. The Registrar said that as the bankrupt did not keep books in strict accordance with the requirements of subsection 2 of section 38 he was bound to order a suspension of his certificate; but, taking into account the fact that that was the only offence which he had committed, together with the report of the official assignee, which was favourable as to the conduct of the bankrupt both before and after sequestration, he was of opinion that a nominal suspension would meet the circumstances of the case. The certificate would be issued after a suspension of one day.

ESTATE SEQUESTRATED.

Re John Sands *v.* James Lawrence. The Registrar made an order for the sequestration of the estate of the respondent, declared the date of the act of bankruptcy to be August 6, and appointed Mr. E. M. Stephen official assignee.

CREDITORS' PETITIONS ADJOURNED.

The hearing of the undermentioned matters was adjourned:—James Collins *v.* Brisbane Doyle, to the 31st instant; W. S. Friend *v.* H. F. Davis, to September 10; N. S. W. Mont de Piété Deposit and Investment Company, Limited, *v.* J. Matthew Seaver, to September 10.

EXAMINATION OF BANKRUPT.

Re Walter Waller. The further examination of the bankrupt was adjourned to September 24.

REGISTRATION ORDERED.

George Holger Gommeson (trading as Boots and Gommeson), of Newtown, undertaker. Mr. L. T. Lloyd, official assignee.

James Flanagan (who is described in the petition as being "better known as James Johnston"), of Nimitybelle, labourer. Mr. L. T. Lloyd, official assignee.

William Lashlan Stephenson, of Crookwell, dealer. Mr. A. Morris, official assignee.

Samuel Holmes, of 126 King-street and 26 Oxford-street, Sydney, baker. Mr. A. Morris, official assignee.

Alfred Josiah Cubitt, of Grafton, bookseller and stationer. Mr. L. T. Lloyd, official assignee.

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Eliza Bennett, of East Prahran, Victoria (attorney of Lavinia Bennett, of Prahran), *v.* Edmund L. Thompson, of Lucerne Vale, near Yass, grazier. Petition to be heard on September 17.

Herbert Davis and Woolfred Benjamin Marks (lately trading as Charles Moore and Co., of Pitt-street, Sydney), *v.* T. H. Pateman, of Cambridge-street, Paddington. Petition to be heard on September 17.

Zouch and Gibson, of Goulburn, *v.* George Scott and Elizabeth Scott, of Mulloon, near Bungendore. Petition to be heard on September 17.

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LAND COURT.—THURSDAY.

(*Before Messrs.* ROGERS, *Q.C., President*; FREEMAN, *and* BRANDIS.)

Mr. Causway appeared on behalf of the Minister of Lands.

REFERENCE.

Reference for the Minister of Lands for determination of the annual rental of the Pastoral Finance Company's special lease, No. 61-14, Metropolitan, Mercury, seller 8s; Golden Gully, buyer 1s 6d, seller 1s 11d; Golden Gully, contributing, buyer 8d; Lindley, contributing, seller 3s 6d; Little Tichborne, seller 1s; Last Call, buyer 11s 9d, seller 12s 6d; Occidental G. M. Co., seller 3s 6d; Peak Hill, paid, seller 4s 9d; Sunlight, contributing, seller 18s; Victory, Charters Towers, seller 71s; South Burrangong, seller 20s. Coal: Burwood, 20s paid, seller 13s; Burwood, New, seller 3s; Stockton, seller 20s; Wallsend, seller £40 10s; Waratah, buyer 6s; Wickham and Bullock Island, New, seller 15s.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.)

MELBOURNE, THURSDAY.

Gold companies had a moderate business, with a further good advance in Great Extended Hustler and Walhalla Deeplead. Sales: Antimony, 3s, 3s 2d; Earl of Hopetoun, 32s 6d, 31s 6d; Great Northern Extended, £5 5s; Great Extended Hustler, 62s 6d, 54s; Hustler's Reef, 14s 3d, ex dividend; Princess Dagmar, 20s; South Hopetoun, 4s 6d, 4s 3d; Walhalla Deeplead, 30s, advanced price on terms; West Sunlight, 5s. Only limited business was done in silver. South, 3d; Master of Arts, 3d; Central, paid, £7 2s 6d, £7 3s 6d; Pinnacle Amalgamated, 1s 8d; Round Hill, 65s. Tasmanian companies: Balstrups, 8s 2d, 8s 4d; Central Balstrups, 3s 5d; Comet, 14s; Grey, 3s 8d, 3s 7d, 3s 9d; Kormiuski, 13s; Maistros, 56s 6d; Oceana, 11s; Silver Bell, 3s 9d.

BRISBANE, THURSDAY.

Gympie crushings: Crown and Phœnix, 205 tons, yielding 100oz. gold; No. 2, Great Eastern, 533 tons, 213oz.; No. 4, North Phœnix, 240 tons, 263oz.

ADELAIDE, THURSDAY.

Share Report.—Sales: Baker's, 19, £15 10s, £16 1s; Broken, colonial, £10; Central, paid, £7 3s 6d; Block 14, £6 9s 6d; South, paid, £5 9s 3d; Round, £3 15s; Ediacra Consols, 3½s; Old British, £2 1s; Junction, 29s; New Broken Hill Extended, 3s; North, 12s 3d; Junction North, 2s 9d; Silver Girl, 1s 4d; Commodore Vanderbilt, 6d.

Evening Sales: Yongalaethes Flux Proprietary, £19 5s; Yongalaethes Flux Proprietary, contributing, £15 10s; Broken Colonial, £10 9s 6d; Central, paid, £7 3s 6d; South, paid, £5 9s 3d; Leigh's Creek Proprietary, 2s 3d; Mount Moor, 2s 3d.

DRAKE, THURSDAY.

Good coarse gold has been struck in the bottom of the Carrington Company's shaft at a depth of 110ft. All men are in work here. The gold warden stated to-day that this is the most satisfactory place in the Tenterfield warden's district. Good gold is being got from Tooloom in two separate places. The Adeline battery is crushing satisfactorily.

BROKEN HILL, THURSDAY.

No. 2 furnace of the South mine was put in blast this afternoon, and is now working steadily and well. The lode at the 525ft. level in the main shaft has been struck in the east crosscut. From a statement of the manager it appears that a vein of galena has been met with, but at the time of the interview he was not able to say of what value the ore was. The rush of water is very strong, and nothing very definite can be known of the ore until time sufficient to drive into it has elapsed. The main shaft of the North mine is down 616ft. The plat will be cut at the sixth level, and then sinking will be continued to 700ft., when it is expected that the 600ft. level will have a good time till about the end of the year. A very good show on a small scale has been opened in the claims known as the Silverton Proprietary, three miles south of the town of Silverton. Drives are discovered on the flat country, revealing outcrops of galena, which have thrown up by rabbits in burrowing. The vein is 22ft. wide at a depth of 50ft., and the galena goes 40oz. silver and 70 per cent. lead, and is clean. Additional claims are being pegged out in the vicinity of the Silverton Proprietary claims, situated some eight miles north-east of Broken Hill. The Tara is looking very well, and a good deal both of bismuth and chloride of silver ore has been raised. The Rising Sun North shows an improvement at 60ft., where a drive is now in about 38ft., and during driving passed through six veins of galena up to 8in. wide, assaying 60 per cent. lead and 16oz. silver. As the crosscut is continued there is an appearance of the veins becoming more frequent. The flow of water is strong.

SOFALA, THURSDAY.

The gold escort left this morning with 2500oz. gold. The Queenslander G. M. Company has been let on tribute to William Flynn and party for six months.

CRUSHING AND SMELTING RETURNS.

Central Broken Hill Silver-mining Company, Limited.—Ore treated for week ending August 22, 1891, 1000 tons, producing 37,010oz. silver, and 500 tons lead. 1 tons 5cwt. copper.

MANAGERS' REPORTS.

Broken Hill South Silver-mining Company, Limited, August 27.—Struck lode material (shows some sulphide of lead ore), 256ft. level, main shaft, block 8. Heavy water, pump just sufficient to contend with it. Blowing in second furnace to-day.

Sunlight Gold-mining Company, August 24.—No. 3 level: Fair prospects. Lode unaltered. The whim has now the plans in July, and certainly in September, 1889. On the question of width, he submitted that there was ample evidence that the width was sufficient, and that, with a grade of 1 in 100, brake sticks were absolutely unnecessary. Then, as to the alterations which would be necessary in plaintiffs' line, there was abundant evidence that they would not cost more than £2000; and as to the height of the opening, there was no complaint until the work was completed, and that was too late.

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Funerals.

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THE FRIENDS of Mr. J. RYAN are invited to attend the Funeral of his late FATHER-IN-LAW, Mr. Henry Peek, for Rookwood Cemetery.

THE FRIENDS of the late Mr. JOHN DAVIES are invited to attend his Funeral; leaves from his late residence, Lealdicott, Lavender Bay, North Sydney, THIS (Friday) MORNING, at 11 o'clock, for St. Thomas' Cemetery. WOOD and COMPANY, Undertakers, 799 George-street, city, Balmain, Petersham, and St. Leonards.

THE FUNERAL of the late WILLIAM BENNETT will leave the Hospice, Victoria-street, THIS DAY, Friday, at 1.30 p.m., for the Necropolis.
W. J. DIXON, Undertaker,
190 Oxford-street,
193 George-street West.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. JOHN REEVE are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his beloved WIFE, Elizabeth Ann; to move from 147 Young-street, Annandale, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 1.45, to Necropolis. W. J. DIXON, Embalmer and Undertaker, 193 George-street W.; 190 Oxford-street, 469 Riley-street.

THE FUNERAL of Miss ELSIE MURIEL VIOLET HARPUR will leave her parents' residence, Thomas-street, Gore-street, Summer Hill, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at a quarter past 2 o'clock, for Rookwood Cemetery. WOOD and COMPANY, Undertakers.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. JOHN MARSH, R.N., are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved MOTHER; to move from her late residence, Monmouth-terrace, 19 Goodhope-street, Paddington, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at half-past 2 o'clock, to Waverley Cemetery. C. KINSELLA, 765 George-st., and 116 Oxf'd-st.

Tenders.

A TENDER for Wirework can be had from EASTWAY BROS., Wireworkers and Wire-netters, 111 George-street. Large assortment of samples of Wirework to be seen. Diamond Wirework a speciality.

BLUE METAL PAVEMENT.—TENDERS required. James Carroll, 16 Church-hill.

BRICKLAYERS.—TENDERS wanted for dining-room, &c., labour. Hoare, South H'd-st., Double Bay.

CARPENTERS.—Tenders Weatherboard Fence wanted, Friday. Whetton, Boyce-street, Glebe Point.

CARPENTERS.—TENDERS Whsrf Cottages, labour only. Contract, op. Town Hall, Marrickville.

MEAT FREEZING AND PRESERVING WORKS, WHARF, &c.

TENDERS are invited for the Erection of Meat Freezing and other Works, Wharf, &c., at Eagle Farm, near Brisbane, for the Queensland Meat Export and Agency Co., Limited, of Brisbane.

Plans and Specifications can be seen at my office from 24th instant until noon on WEDNESDAY, the 30th day of September, up to which hour sealed tenders will be received.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

FRANK COXON,
Engineer,
A. M. P. Buildings, Brisbane.

PLUMBERS.—Go to Martin, Camperdown, for Cisterns, Baths, Tubs, &c., big stock kept, cheap.

TO FELLMONGERS AND SHIPPERS OF SHEEPSKINS.

The Directors of the Sydney Meat-Preserving Company, Limited, invite TENDERS, to be sent to the undersigned, for the whole of the Clean Sheep killed by them at Auburn during September, 1891.

Tenders to name separate prices for Ewe and Wether Skins.

If the successful tenderer wishes to dry the skins the company's drying wires and sheds will be at his disposal, free of charge.

Tenders will be opened at a quarter-past 10 a.m., on FRIDAY, 28th instant.

By order of the Board of Directors.

JOHN B. C. MILES,
Secretary.

United Chambers,
George and Hunter streets,
Sydney, August 21, 1891.

Council Clerk's Office,
Town Hall, Glebe,
August 27, 1891.

TENDERS are hereby invited, and will be received up to 7 p.m. on THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 1891, for the Construction of a Wall at the West End of Forsyth-street, Glebe Point, for the Borough of the Glebe.

Specifications may be seen at my office during office hours.

Tenders to be addressed to the Mayor, and marked "Tender for Wall."

T. D. GLASSCOCK,
Council Clerk.

TO PELLMONGERS, WOOLBROKERS, and Others.

TENDERS are invited for the Purchase of Sheepskins off about a thousand, during the month of September next. Tenderers can have them dried and baled and tendered for at per pound, or they can can be delivered green daily at Darlinghurst as may be arranged.

Tenders will be opened at 10 o'clock a.m. on Saturday, 29th inst.

B. RICHARDS and SONS,
Riverstone Meat Company, Darling Harbour.
Sydney, 26th August, 1891.

TENDERS wanted for Building a Weatherboard Cottage at Lithgow for Mr. J. Rawe. Plans and specifications apply

A. B. PACKER, Painter, &c.,
Arcade, Parramatta-road, Petersham.
Close WEDNESDAY next.

TO BLACKSMITHS.—TENDERS will be received for the Ironwork of Butcher's Shop, up till Saturday, August 29. H. GODFREY, Butcher
Elizabeth-street, Waterloo.

TO PLASTERERS.—TENDERS for Plastering Cottage, labour only, scaffolding provided. W. BUNDOCK, Prince-avenue, Salisbury Estate, Botany-road, near first half-way.

TENDER wanted for Plastering a Shop, King-st., Newtown. J. Bryan, builder, Devine-st., M'donaldtown.

TENDERS for Brick Work and Carpenters' Work 2 Cots., labour only, Simmons-st., Enmore. J. Richmd.

TENDERS wanted for Balcony Iron, &c., on job. Fitzgerald-street, Waverley.

TENDERS wanted for Brickwork, per 1000, labour only. Brick, Herald Office.

TENDERS invited for Plumber's Work. Apply new job, next May's Royal Hotel, Glenmore-road.

TENDER French Polishing and Painting, separate. Glebe Point-road, Whelton Close Saturd'y.

TENDERS, Erection 4-r'med. Cottage, Heathcote. Plans and specifications, Gilliver and Tate, Ashfield.

TENDERS wanted for Erecting a Washhouse, Leichhardt. Apply 82 Underwood-street, Paddington.

TENDERS required for Slating House at Cooper-street, Neutral Bay. Apply at the job.

TENDERS required for Plastering House, at Cooper-street, Neutral Bay. Apply as the job.

TENDERS for Plaster Work to large Villa Residence. Mr. W. Coates, Peakhurst, nr. Hurstville.

TENDERS received upon Premises, 3 o'clock Monday, 1st inst., Ivanhoe Ball Wall, Excelsior-st., Wav'y, 1 only.

TO CARPENTERS.—TENDERS required, dwelling-house, labour only. Royal Hotel, Drummoyne.

PAINTERS and Contractors.—White Lead, 28s 6d; oils, as 6d gal.; Mixed Paints, 4d lib. Wall Paper, 3½d per roll. Painting, 8d per square. Glass, glazed 3d per foot. Premises sold at 329 George-st., late Murphy's.

BLUE METAL, all gauges, SCREENINGS, GRAVEL and RIVER SAND, at lowest prices. EMU GRAVEL and ROAD METAL COMPANY, Limited, Norwich-chambers, Hunter-street.

HARRY CRABB, 330 and 332 Oxford-st., Paddington, for Contractors' Street Lamps, cheap, warran.

TO SEWERAGE CONTRACTORS and ASPHALTERS.—Iron BLUE METAL and SCREENINGS by the load, as required. SALMOND and DENNE, 83 Cowper Wharf.

KIAMA BLUE METAL, machine-broken, all gauges, and Dry Screenings; also hand-broken. SALMOND and DENNE (late George Hill), 83 Cowper Wharf.

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DRAIN PIPES, glazed, all sizes
FIRE BRICKS, Fire Tiles, Fire Clay, &c.
GOODLET and SMITH, Limited, Surry Hills Pottery, Riley-street, and 483 George-street.

PITCH PINE Flooring, Logs, and Planks, just landed. Goodlet and Smith, Ltd., Sawmills, Pyrmont.

THE KAURI TIMBER COMPANY, Limited, Blackwattle Bay,
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Foreign and Colonial Timber, Doors, Sashes, Mouldings, &c., Galvanised Iron, Ridging, Guttering, and Down Piping.

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SLATES, 18 x 10, and 20 x 10, red, just landed; Cement, Plaster, Keen's Cement, English Oven Tiles, Bricks, Lumps, Fireclay, Sheet Lead and Pipe, Galvanised Iron. G. E. Crane and Sons, City Cement Store, Clarence-st.

ASPHALT and Tarpaving of all kinds Laid by G. A. Payne, Office, corner Pitt and Market streets.

STANDARD MIXED PAINT is not affected by rain or storm, is easy of application, and is pre-eminently the householders' paint. All shades supplied ready for use. Works—Cowper Wharf, Woolloomooloo.

GREAT BARGAINS in MANTELPIECES, Tiles, Chandeliers, if purchased before we Remove to 157 Elizabeth-street.
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All classes Col. and For. TIMBER on hand and to arrive. Wide Flooring and Lining Boards, Turnery and Joinery to detail; architects' spec. C. T. Saxton, Pyrmont.

SLATES, 4000, £4 per 1000; Stone, Timber, &c., for Sale, cheap. Cardwell, George and Bathurst sts.

FOR SALE, two sheets PLATEGLASS, 56 in. × 48 in., and 52 in. × 42 in. 10s.; also six Window SLIDES, cheap. Apply
Chemist, 156 George-street North.

FOR SALE, to be removed, w. h. Cottage, 9 kitchen, Petersham. Kitt and Co., Hunter-street.

General Merchandise.

BREWER'S NOTICE TO HOTELKEEPERS.

A FIVE POUND ALE, something between Colonial and English, is much needed. Such a malt liquor I am brewing, and offer at 55s per hogshead; can be sampled at the brewery.

BOTTLED ALE and PORTER, in quarts, 4s 6d per dozen, one shilling per dozen discount on 6 dozen or more; or packed in 4 dozen cases for the country at 4s 6d. Terms, cash.

S. MARKS,
New York Brewery, Newtown.

BEER CORKS, quarts, in 100 gross bales, 1s 3d per gross, worth 2s; prime Californian Hops, 9d, 1889's, and Kents, 1890, 1s. Malt Tanks for Sale.
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ECONOMY.—Enamelled Gas Grillers and Boilers combined, 10s. Robinson's, 225 and 227 Castlereagh-st.

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Businesses for Sale.

NEEDHAM and CO., 19 Elizabeth-st., Boarding-house, close Macquarie-st. North, 10 rooms, nicely furnished, rent partly 1st off, several boarders, £60; half cash, balance easy terms.

BOARDINGHOUSE, Surry Hills, 9 rooms, always full boarders, paying 22s 6d, rent 40s weekly, handsomely furnished and appointed throughout, new piano; £175; half cash. Needham and Co., 19 Elizabeth-st.

BOARDINGHOUSE, city, 8 rooms, rent 30s, 7 boarders, well furnished; £30; terms. Needham.

CONFECTIONERY and Pastry, dble. shop, 6 rooms, 25s; £17 weekly, well stocked, £75. Needham.

NEWS Agency and Stationery, best suburb, good shop and dwelling, rent 25s 6d, pr dis fully £10 wkly. Trial given; genuine change for married couple or 2 friends with small capital. Needham and Co., 19 Elizabeth-street.

TOBACCONIST Business, close King-st., fine shop and dwelling, low rent, stock fittings, £80. Needham.

NEEDHAM and Co., 19 Elizabeth-st.—Registry Office, clear profits £4 weekly, £90. Gift.

BOARDING Houses to Let, furn., with boarders, from £2 to £6 weekly. Needham, 19 Elizabeth-street.

TO HAIRDRESSERS and Tobacconists.—Estab., lease, low rent, dwell. attach. apply 79 Goulburn-st.

A SURE FORTUNE.—For SALE, a First-class Furniture BUSINESS, the best in Sydney. Apply 131, 135 Devonshire-street, Surry Hills. Owner going home in the s.s. Lusitania. Apply after 6 o'clock in the evening.

HOTEL, must sell through ill health, bills shown, long lease. Harrison and Co., 194 Castlereagh-street.

SOUND general Store (South), stock £700, accurate returns £3000, worth inqu. Butler Bros., 60 King-st.

WARDEN and CO., 71 Elizabeth-st., near King-street, have large selection good Country Hotels.

HOTEL, country West, freehold, immediate possession Railway station, price £1060; terms. Warden.

HOTEL, country South, flourishing agricultural district, long lease, price £850. Warden.

HOTEL, South Coast, 6½ years' lease, rent £2, trade £20 weekly, good furn., price £800. Warden.

HOTEL, country South, 7 years' lease or more, busy township, price £300 and valuation. Warden.

HOTEL, country North, freehold and furniture, immg. pos., trade £35 wkly., 6d drinks, cash £250.

HOTEL, country North, 50 miles from Sydney, 9 years' lease, rent £1 wkly. Price, £250. Warden.

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CHANCE.—Must be sold To-day.—Boarding-House in choice city position, close Union Club, 12 rooms, well furn., piano, &c.; £80 deposit only, balance to suit. Open till 5 o'clock. G. Thomas and Co., 5 Hunter-st.

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ROBINSON and CO.—Hotel, country, lease 10 yrs., rent £3, weekly trade £60, well furn., billiards, £850.

ROBINSON and CO.—Hotel, suburb, lease 15 years, rent £4, weekly trade £50, 5 to 30's, cash £1000.

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ROBINSON and CO.—Hotel, city, 5 bars, beautifully furn., trade £70, lease 7 years, rent £8, cash £300.

GOOD paying Drapery Business, Forbes district, good stock £1500, cash £600. Lilian Buttler, 128 Pitt-st.

COUNTRY STORE, stock £5000, trade £17,000, rented £2000 last 12 months, easy terms.
WILLIAM BUTLER,
108 Pitt-street.

IVAN HENRY.—Hotel, Newtown, lease 8 years, rent £4, draws 5 5s's wkly., cash £800. 119 King-st.

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